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THE CAUSE OF THE CHAOS

HOW ONE PIVOTAL ACTION IN JUDGE DREDD'S PAST LED TO THE LATEST MEGA-EPIC

By 1981 John Wagner and co-writer Alan Grant were getting a little concerned by how large Mega-City One had become. Extending along almost the entirety of the eastern seaboard from Florida in the south and well into Canada in the north, the two writers decided that the city was far too unmanageable, even for a force as powerful and effective as the Justice Department. It was clear that Mega-City One had to undergo some extensive downsizing – and so *The Apocalypse War* was born.

Animosity towards the Sovs had been hinted at in *Pirates of the Black Atlantic* (published in Progs 197-200, and collected in *Case Files* 04). But nine months later, the main event began. A multi-part prologue, *Block Mania* (published in Progs 236-244 and collected in *Case Files* 05), saw the start of what was to lead to an all-out attack on Mega-City One by its Sov Block counter-part, East-Meg One. A series of block-on-block riots suddenly start to occur across the Big Meg and it quickly becomes apparent that the widescale violence has been orchestrated by an outside influence. It is revealed that East-Meg superspy Orlok has poisoned the city's water supply with a drug designed to bring out the citizens most violent instincts.

With the Judges busy trying to contain the multiple block wars taking place in the city, East-Meg One is able to launch a successful nuclear attack, marking

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THE 22nd CENTURY. DURING LONG YEARS AN UNEASY PEACE HAS EXISTED BETWEEN MEGA-CITY ONE AND ITS SOV-BLOCK RIVAL, EAST-MEG ONE — — NOW THAT PEACE IS ABOUT TO BE SHATTERED.
FOR MANY MILLIONS THE WORLD WILL END TODAY. THEY ARE THE FIRST VICTIMS OF THE APOCAL

the start of *The Apocalypse War* (Progs 245-270, collected in *Case Files* 05). Almost half of Mega-City One is destroyed before the East-Meg leadership send in an invading army. In total disarray and with no hope of support from Mega-City Two or Texas City, the East-Meggers are easily able to take over, while the surviving Judges including Dredd, Anderson and Hershey are forced underground to regroup and start a guerrilla war against the occupying force.

On 29th May 1982, Prog 266 came out, containing the 22nd part of *The Apocalypse War*, changing the perception and the world of *Judge Dredd* forever. Having successfully led a commando unit to seize an East-Meg missile silo, Dredd chooses to obliterate East-Meg One from the face of the Earth. This one controversial act has caused much debate amongst the *2000 AD* readership for many years and raises questions about morality and justice that few comic writers and publishers would dare to explore with their precious 'heroes'. It is clearly a standout moment in the history of *Judge Dredd*, *2000 AD* and Western comics in general.

There have often been repercussions caused by the events that transpired in *The Apocalypse War*, but no East-Meg retaliations have been as devastating to the citizens of Mega-City One as those that occur in *Day of Chaos*, thirty years after the first missiles flew...

Keith Richardson
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THE SKINNING ROOM

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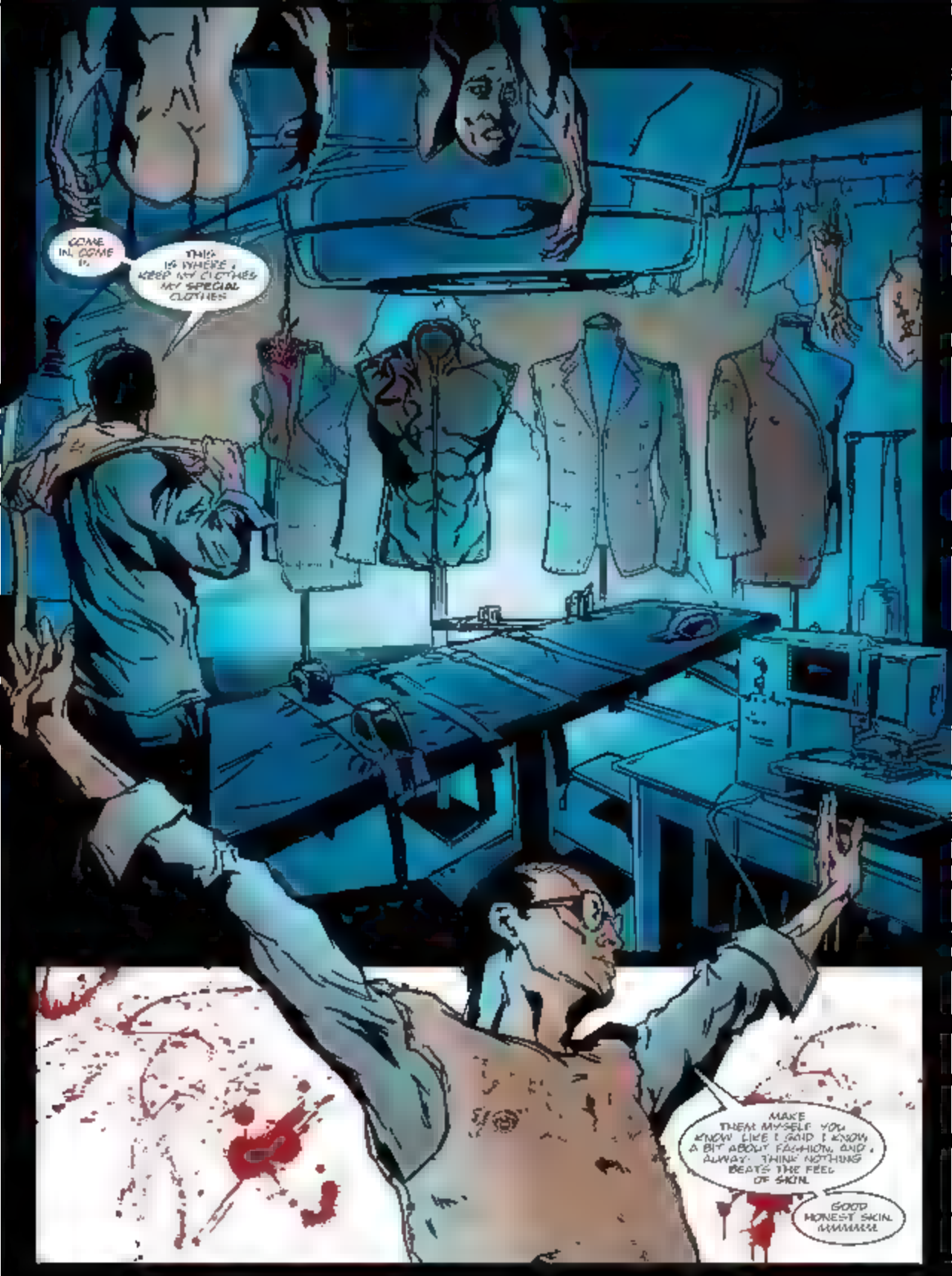
FIRST OFF, THIS MEETING SHOULD KNOW WE'VE RECEIVED WORD THAT FORMER CHIEF JUDGE MARTIN SINFIELD HAS ARRIVED ON TITAN.
HE WAS PROCESSED IMMEDIATELY AND ASSIGNED TO A WORK GANG.
SINFIELD!
HEY, CHIEF JUDGE, ANY CHANCE OF A FREE PARDON?
I'M AN INNOCENT MAN, CHIEF JUDGE! I WAS FRAMED!
I WAS FRAMED TOO!
SUCK THIS, CHIEF JUDGE!
SILENCE!
YOU'RE THE ONE THAT ISSUED MY TITAN TICKET, MARTY. HOW ABOUT THAT? NOW YOU'RE HERE I'VE GOT A FEELING WE'RE GOING TO GET REAL WELL ACQUAINTED!
ZUNK!
PUT HIM IN THE MEETH BOX!
ZUNK!
ZUNK!
THUD!

SINFIELD!
SINFIELD!
SINFIELD!
COLLECT YOUR TOOLS AND JOIN YOUR WORKGANG, SINFIELD.
THERE'LL BE NO HARASSING THIS MAN! HE'S JUST ONE OF YOU NOW!
IF HE'S IN THE GENERAL POPULATION, CHIEF JUDGE, YOU UNDERSTAND IT WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE TO KEEP HIS PRESENCE THERE A SECRET.
I'VE GIVEN THAT SOME CONSIDERATION. I DON'T BELIEVE IT WILL DO ANY HARM FOR THE CITIZENS TO KNOW WE TREAT OUR OWN AS HARSHLY AS WE TREAT THEM.
I QUITE AGREE.
OTHER BUSINESS, MARGARET. YOU HAVE THE QUOTES ON THAT TROUSER CONTRACT —
YET ANOTHER COUNCIL MEETING.
ANOTHER ENDLESS COUNCIL MEETING.
THE PRICE HE MUST PAY FOR ASSISTING FRANCISCO'S RETURN.
IT COULD BE WORSE. HE COULD BE SITTING IN FRANCISCO'S CHAIR.
THE NUMBER OF CRIMINAL-RELATED SURVEILLANCES DROPPED TO EIGHTY-FOUR PER CENT AT PSU, WHILE — AND I THINK BUELL WILL BACK ME UP ON THIS — THE NUMBER OF INTERNAL SURVEILLANCES — THAT IS, SURVEILLANCE SPECIFICALLY TARGETED AT JUDGES AND JUSTICE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES — ROSE BY OVER FOUR HUNDRED PER CENT.
THIS IS UNDER SINFIELD?
HE SAW PLOTS AGAINST HIM FROM EVERY QUARTER. WITH GOOD REASON AS IT TURNED OUT.

HE FEELS LIKE HIS BRAIN IS BEING SLOWLY SUCKED OUT THROUGH A STRAW.
SURELY THERE CAN'T BE SO MANY THINGS TO TALK ABOUT? SO MANY TEDIOUS, TEDIOUS THINGS TO TALK ABOUT.
THAT BRINGS US TO DREDD'S BUSINESS.
DREDD?
WHAT'S THAT -?
THIS MOTION OF YOURS, RE-IMPOSE ORDER BY CRACKDOWN. DISCUSS.
THE PROBLEM IS CLEAR. YOU'VE SEEN THE CRIME STATS.
THE CRIME STATS SEEM QUITE GOOD TO ME. IN FACT, THEY'VE NEVER BEEN BETTER.
SURE. THEY LOOK FINE, VASS — UNTIL YOU PROBE DEEPER. CRIMES AGAINST MUTANTS SINCE EXPELLED ARENT RECORDED. SEVERAL CRIMES HAVE BEEN DOWNGRADED TO SIMPLE MISDEMEANOURS
WHAT WE HAVE IS A CRIMEWAVE. PUBLIC OBEDIENCE IS AT AN ALL-TIME LOW. UNDER SINFIELD THE CITY HAS DESCENDED TO A STATE OF NEAR-ANARCHY.
IT'S SOMETHING I'VE NOTICED TOO.
THERE'S A CERTAIN AIR OF LAWLESSNESS ABOUT — CONTEMPT FOR AUTHORITY.
IT'S ALL TO DO WITH THE MUTANT SITUATION.
THE CITIZENS HAVE BEEN ALLOWED RATHER TOO MUCH LATITUDE, I THINK.
SO YOUR SOLUTION IS CRACKDOWN?
ZERO TOLERANCE. MAXIMUM PUBLICITY.
START WITH SECTOR 80 — THAT'S SHOWN THE HIGHEST RISE IN MAJOR CRIME OUTSIDE THE WAR ZONE — AND THEY HAVE AN EMPTY ISO-BLOCK, A FORMER MUTANTS-ONLY FACILITY, WAITING FOR OCCUPATION.
WE DRAFT IN EVERY AVAILABLE HELMET. WE BRING IN SENIOR CADETS FROM THE ACADEMY, USE ROBOTS WHERE APPLICABLE. WE SWAMP THE SECTOR, BOOK EVERY WORM THAT SQUIRMS.
WHEN WE'RE FINISHED WITH FIFTY, WE MOVE ON. WE KEEP DRIVING THE MESSAGE HOME — LET THE PEOPLE KNOW THE PARTY'S OVER.
YOU HAVE SOMEONE IN MIND TO ORGANISE THIS?
I... NATURALLY THOUGHT MYSELF.
OF COURSE. IT MAY BE NECESSARY TO MISS OUT ON A FEW OF THESE MEETINGS WHILE THE OPERATION IS ONGOING. WITH REGRET.
OH, I'M SURE WE CAN SPARE YOU FOR A WHILE — DESPITE YOUR VALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS.

GEIN
HELLO, HELLO, I'M MR SKINNER. COME IN, COME IN.
ROOM TO RENT
GENTLEMEN ONLY
see MR SKINNER
2
YOU'VE COME ABOUT THE ADVERT, I SUPPOSE.
I PIN ONE UP SOMETIMES BY THE ZOOM STOP, YOU BROUGHT IT WITH YOU? GOOD. GOOD.
SIT DOWN. SIT DOWN.
CAN I GET YOU SOMETHING? A NICE CUP OF HOCK CHOC? A DRINK, PERHAPS? YES, YOU MUST HAVE A DRINK.
IT'S OLD MARYLAND, MADE RIGHT HERE IN SECTOR 90. RIGHT HERE.
SO, WHAT BRINGS YOU TO DEAR OLD FIFTY? NIFTY FIFTY, WE CALL IT, JUST BECAUSE IT RHYMES. REALLY, NOTHING PARTICULARLY NIFTY ABOUT IT.
ALL ALONE? OH DEAR, THAT'S A SHAME. AND YOU SAW MY ADVERT.
WELL, YES. I HAVE A VERY NICE ROOM. ONLY FOR THE RIGHT TYPE OF GENTLEMAN, OF COURSE.
BUT I CAN SEE YOU'RE AN OKAY GUY, A SQUARE JOE, AN UPRIGHT DWIGHT.
DRINK UP AND I'LL SHOW YOU THE ROOM.
ENJOY THAT? A LITTLE ON THE BITTER SIDE? THAT'S JUST THE WAY THEY MAKE IT THESE DAYS. IT'S THE FASHION. AND I KNOW A BIT ABOUT FASHION. OH YES.
WHERE'S THE DOOR, I HEAR YOU THINKING. THAT'S THE GIMMICK, SEE. I JUST TAP IN THE CODE ON THE CLOCK HERE —
YOU WOULDN'T KNOW IT WAS THERE, ISN'T THAT CLEVER?


COME IN. COME IN.
THIS IS WHERE I KEEP MY CLOTHES. MY SPECIAL CLOTHES.
MAKE THEM MYSELF. YOU KNOW LIKE I SAID I KNOW A BIT ABOUT FASHION, AND I ALWAYS THINK NOTHING BEATS THE FEEL OF SKIN.
GOOD HONEST SKIN. MMMMM.

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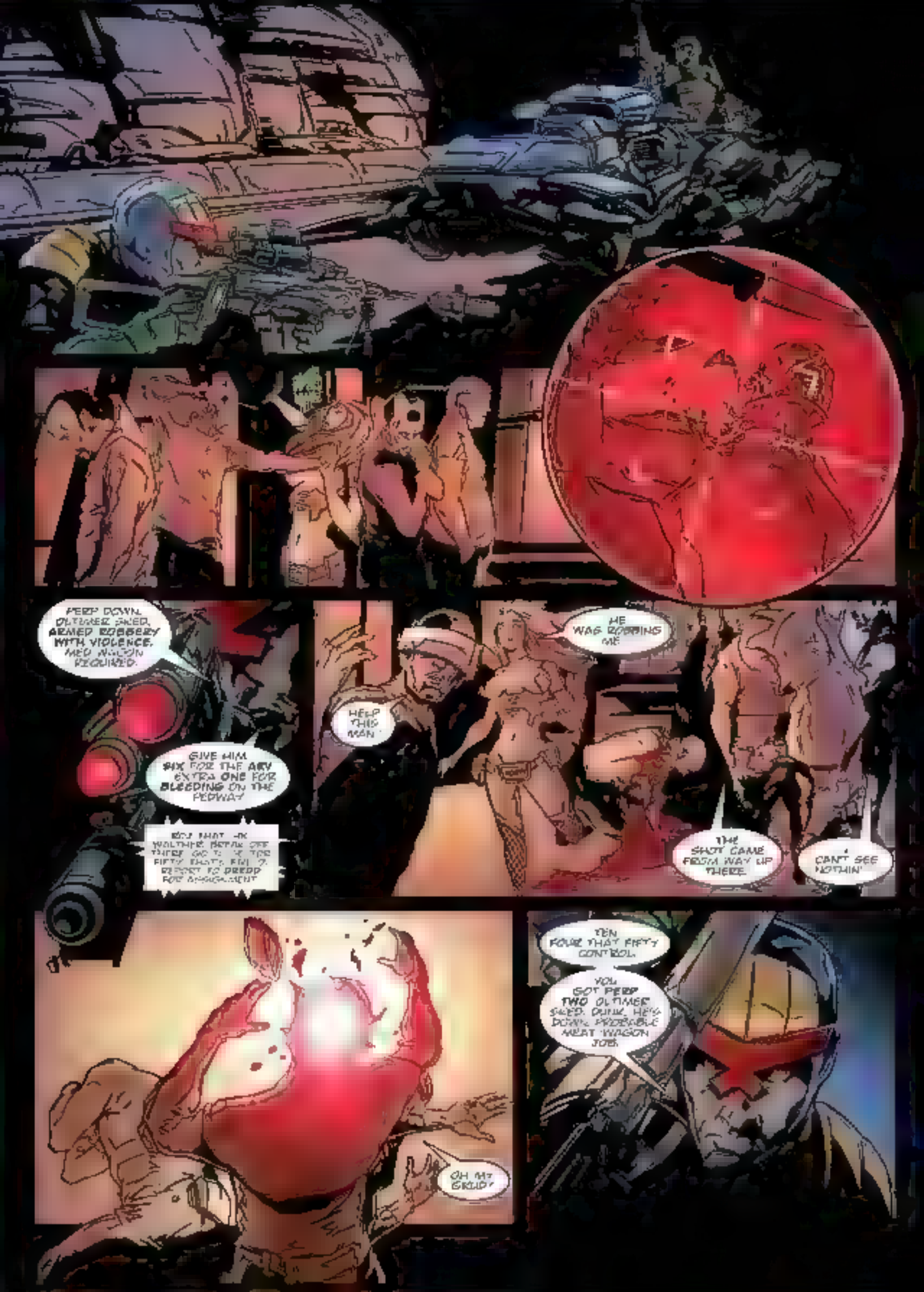
FEELING A LITTLE WOBBLY ARE WE? THERE YOU JUST LIE BACK ON THE BED. THAT'S T GOOD GOOD.
NOT AS SOFT AS YOU'D LIKE I KNOW BUT YOU SHOULDN'T BE SPENDING TOO LONG IN IT NO NO NOT TOO LONG AT ALL I THINK WE CAN SAFELY SAY THAT
JUST TRYING OUT TO BE MADE OH, I KNOW A LITTLE ROUGH OF MR PINK WHEN ALL HE WANTED WAS A ROOM.
NOW LET'S JUST HANG MR PINK BACK UP WOULDN'T WANT HIM GETTING IN A MESS.
SUCH A NICE YOUNG MAN AS SOON AS I SAW HIM I THOUGHT TO MYSELF TANK TOP. TANK TOP AND A NICE PAIR OF CHINOS.
BUT THAT'S THE LUCK OF THE DRAW. SOME YOU WIN SOME YOU LOSE. WE CAN'T ALL BE LUCKY IN LIFE.
SO MANY PEOPLE IN THIS WORLD - TOO MANY REALLY AND AFTER ALL HE DID MAKE SUCH A LOVELY OUTFIT
SO ALL IN ALL I DON'T FEEL TOO GUILTY ABOUT WHAT I DID TO POOR MR PINK OR ANY OF MY LODGERS, OH NO. I CAN HONESTLY SAY I FEEL QUITE COMFORTABLE IN MY OWN SKIN.
AND I'M SURE I'M GOING TO FEEL VERY COMFORTABLE IN YOURS.


PERP DOWN. OLDTIMER SHOT. ARMED ROBBERY WITH VIOLENCE. MED ASSIST REQUIRED.
GIVE HIM SIX FOR THE ARV EXTRA ONE FOR BLEEDING ON THE FEDWAY
ROG THAT. OK WALTHER, BETTA GET THERE QUICK. WE TOOK FIFTY THAT'S FIVE O. REPORT TO PREDD FOR ASSIGNMENT
HELP THIS MAN
HE WAS ROBBING ME
THE SHOT CAME FROM WAY UP THERE
I CAN'T SEE NOTHIN'
OH MY GRUD!
TEN FOUR THAT FIFTY CONTROL.
YOU GOT PERP TWO OLDTIMER SHOT. DRIVE HERE DOWN. PROBABLE HEAT WAGON JOB.

SET UP YOUR ROADBLOCKS AT MAJOR 3, 2 DIRECTIONS. INTERCEPT TEAMS AT ALL APPROACH POINTS. ANY CREEP SEEK THE BLOCK AND DIVERTS YOU'VE GOT PRESUMPTION OF GUILT
LET'S MOVE
JOHNSON YOUR MANTAS ROUND GET TRAL ZOOM REAL OFF THE STATION, ANYONE TRIES TO LEAVE WITHOUT CLEARANCE PULL 'EM IF OR BRING 'EM DOWN.
YO
PROVO WE HAVE ONE FIVE EXTRA ATTACKS INCOMING FROM SPECIAL CRIMES UNIT
DIVERT TO LOGAN, 'DUGT ZONE 4 EXPECT TO LOCATE AND ERADICATE LARGE SCALE ZZIZ OPERATION.
WALTHER SNIPER WHERE DO YOU WANT ME?
CROSBY HEIGHTS BE ON WATCH SPECIALLY FOR ANTI-MUTANT ACTIVITIES, TWO LYNCHINGS IN BANG LAST WEEK
WE TALKING SHOOT TO KILL?
WE NEED TO SEND A MESSAGE DON'T HOLD BACK IF APPROPRIATE
HE'S COMMANDEERED UNITS FROM EVERY AVAILABLE SOURCE HE'S CALLED IN SENIOR CADETS AND MANTAS.
IF HE HAS TO SERVE ON THE COUNCIL OF FIVE AT LEAST HE CAN USE THE POSITION TO RESTORE SOME GOOD OLD FASHIONED LAW AND ORDER
THE MEDIA ARE READY NOW SIR

SECTOR 40 REGYK -
EVENING, SKIN.
HARK
QUIET TONIGHT
I'LL BEFORE THE STORM. BIG CRACKDOWN GOING ON OUT THERE - JUDGES EVERYWHERE
BEFORE LONG THIS BELT WILL BE WORKING OVERTIME
THREE NIGHTS A WEEK SKINNER GOES TO WORK ON THE BIG MACHINE AT REGYK
NO SKIN.
JIM.
HEY SKINNER, FRANCIS WANTS TO KNOW IF YOU CAN HANDLE HIS SHIFT TOMORROW.
TOMORROW'S SATURDAY - I GUESS THAT'LL BE ALL RIGHT
SKIN NEJER DOES ANYTHING ON SATURDAY NIGHT DO YOU?
SOMETIMES I DO

SOMETIMES HE DOES. SKINNER. BUT RANDY HERE GETS OUT MORE THAN YOU.
I'VE BEEN DOOLING, I DOOCED WITH A WOMAN.
THAT'S NOT TRUE
IT IS. FRANCIS AND ME TOOK HIM. I'M TELLIN' YOU.
THEY THINK HIM A REAL DULL SPUG. IF THEY COULD SEE HIM ALL DRESSED UP READY TO PARTY
DRESSED TO KILL
SADLY THAT CAN NEVER BE.
SOME THINGS A MAN IS STILL BETTER AT THAN A ROBOT MORE FLEXIBLE YOU SEE LIKE WHEN THE MACHINERY AT REST'S GETS BLOCKED UP
THEN IT NEEDS A GOOD MAN TO GO IN THERE AND SORT IT OUT A MAN WHO'S NOT AFRAID OF A LITTLE GORE
AND SKINNER'S NOT AFRAID OF A LITTLE GORE SKINNER'S ONLY PROBLEM IS HOW TO GET RID OF IT
SO HIS LITTLE JOB AT RESTS SUITS HIM VERY WELL

MUTIE KILLERS
JUDGE DREDD: WHY SECTOR 90?
FIFTY'S CRIME STATS ARE AMONG THE WORST IN THE CITY. WE HAVE PEAKS IN STREET CRIME, CRIMES AGAINST MUTANTS, CASUAL MURDER AND ARY
WOW. HOW LONG DOES THE CRACKDOWN GO ON SIR?
THE BOT-
IN CASE YOU'VE FORGOTTEN THAT'S ZERO TOLERANCE. BREAK THE LAW ANY LAW AND THE LAW WILL BREAK YOU.
UNTIL THE MESSAGE GETS HOME.

IT WAS INDEED A RUSTY KNIFE
THE BLADES OF RETRO ANTIQUE ROTAVICERATOR CLOGS UP TIME AND AGAIN WITH THE WEIGHT OF FLESH AND BONE AND SINEW
SKINNER WORKS AUTOMATICALLY HIS THOUGHTS CONTINUALLY STRAYING TO THE THOMSON BOY WHAT HE'LL DO WITH HIM WHEN HE GETS HOME
FULLY CLOTHED WITH THE SKIN YOUNG AND FRESH AND UNBLEMISHED, UNHAPPILY HARDLY SUFFICIENT FOR ANYTHING BUT THE SLIGHTEST GARMENT HE HAD BEEN SLOW NOT TO SAY UNDERNOURISHED.
HE DECIDES IN THE END ON A SHIRT A PLEATED EFFECT USING STRIPS OF SALMON PATEL THE MATURE STUDENT WHO'D TURNED UP FOUR SUNDAYS AGO
THE FRONT RUFFED ELEGANT THE COLLAR WIDE BOLD EDGED WITH PATEL THE COLOUR CONTRAST MAKES A VERY PLEASING EFFECT DEFINITELY ONE TO ENHANCE HIS RUMMER COLLECTION.
OPEN UP! THIS IS THE LAW!
YOU WERE WARNED CITIZEN!
STAND BACK WE'RE COMING IN!
NO ONE HERE!
COULD BE HIDING SOMEWHERE!

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UNTIL THE MESSAGE GETS HOME 'N CAN'E YOU'VE FORGOTTEN, THAT'S ZERO TOLERANCE.
BREAK THE LAW ANY LAW AND THE LAW WILL BREAK YOU
WITH THAT JUDGE DREDD MAKES IT CLEAR 'TS NO MORE MR NICE GUY' SECTOR 90 HAS SEEN NOTHING LIKE THIS SINCE THE GOV INVASION. JUDGES ARE OUT IN UNPRECEDENTED NUMBERS. THEY'RE HANDING OUT HEAVY SENTENCES FOR EVEN MINOR INFRACTIONS
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YOU CITIZEN - WHAT'S YOUR CRIME?
I DIDN'T DO NO CRIME! I'M THE VICTIM.
EIGHTEEN MONTHS' INCITEMENT
CREEPO THERE THOUGHT IT WAS FINE TO FLASH HIS CASH IN A KNOWN MUGGING BLACKSPOT
THE TAP PAID WITH HIS LIFE. THE VICTIM'S GOING TO GET A LESSON IN CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY
CONTROL WE GOT ONE ARV MERCHANT FOR RESTR BOOKER PASSAGE.
I'M HERE AT ISO-BLOCK 50 FORMERLY A MUTANTS-ONLY FACIL'TY ONCE AGAIN IT IS RAPIDLY FILLING WITH NEW INMATES
BEHIND ME YOU CAN SEE THEM HERDED FROM THE CATCH WAGONS IN DROVES. PERHAPS A LOVED ONE A RELATIVE. SOMEONE YOU'VE BEEN MISSING ?
SOME ARE CRYING SOME DAZED SOME BLOODIED AND CONFUSED. FOR MANY THAT FUN NIGHT OUT PERHAPS EVEN THAT QUIET NIGHT 'N HAS ENDED WITH A LONG STRETCH IN AN ISO-CUBE.
ISO 50
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MEGA CITY NEWS NETWORK
BREAKING NEWS
Judicial crackdown continues
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AND THEY MIGHT BE THE LUCKY ONES
I'M WAY WAY UP ON CROSBY HEIGHTS WITH JUSTICE DEPARTMENT SNIPER KEEL WALTHER
THAT'S JUDGE WALTHER ISN'T IT? YOU ARE A QUALIFIED JUDGE?
GOT THE BADGE TO PROVE IT
AND WHAT'S YOUR ROLE HERE?
I WATCH THE STREETS I SEE ANYTHING DON'T LIKE I BLAST IT
OKAY I'M LOOKING THROUGH JUDGE WALTHER'S SNIPER SIGHT . CAN SEE PEOPLE RUNNING WHAT'S HAPPENING HERE JUDGE?
SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE UNITS ARE ROUTING ALL THE BAD AND CLUBS ALONG PLAZ THE CREEPS YOU CAN SEE HOTFOOTING IT OBVIOUSLY GOT SOMETHING TO HIDE
SO WE'RE JUST GOING TO SLOW THEM DOWN A BIT
CONTROL YOU GOT THREE DOWN SOUTH PLAZ RUNNERS
THAT'S AMAZING SHOOTING
NOTHING TO IT GUN DOES ALL THE WORK JUST LOCK ON AND LET HER RIP
AND IT ALL GOES TO SHOW THAT TONIGHT IN SECTOR 90 THERE'S NO HIDING PLACE

WE'VE CHOSEN 80 GRIN FOR A FULL BLOCK SHAKEDOWN. WE'LL ENTER EVERY APARTMENT, QUESTION EVERY RESIDENT, DISPENSE JUSTICE WHERE ANY CRIME IS DETECTED.
ANY PARTICULAR REASON FOR GRIN?
BLOCKS ARE CHOSEN AT RANDOM. NEXT ONE COULD JUST AS EASILY BE YOURS.
NOBODY HOME.
CITIZEN WORKS AT FIFTY RESYN.
CONTROL, CONFIRM FIFTY RESYN CHECK-IN WHEREABOUTS OF CITIZEN [illegible] MONITOR [illegible] GRIN.

SKINNER LEFT WORK AT 20:30 HOURS. TOOK THE 174 WEST TO DAHMER STREET SEEN ENTERING GEIM AT 08:55
WONDER HE WASN'T CHECKED OUT EN ROUTE MUST STILL BE IN THE BUILDING.
WE'LL PROBABLY COME ACROSS HIM. SEEMS LIKE A GOOD CITIZEN
MANNY SKINNER
OBVIOUSLY HAPPY IN HIS WORK
RESVK SO- EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR, 2130
LET'S CLOSE UP AND MOVE ON. YOU GOT A PROBLEM, RIGGS?
JUST THINK IT'S A KIND OF SMALL APARTMENT
JUST ONE GUY. HOW MUCH SPACE DOES HE NEED?
I NEED A DRINK

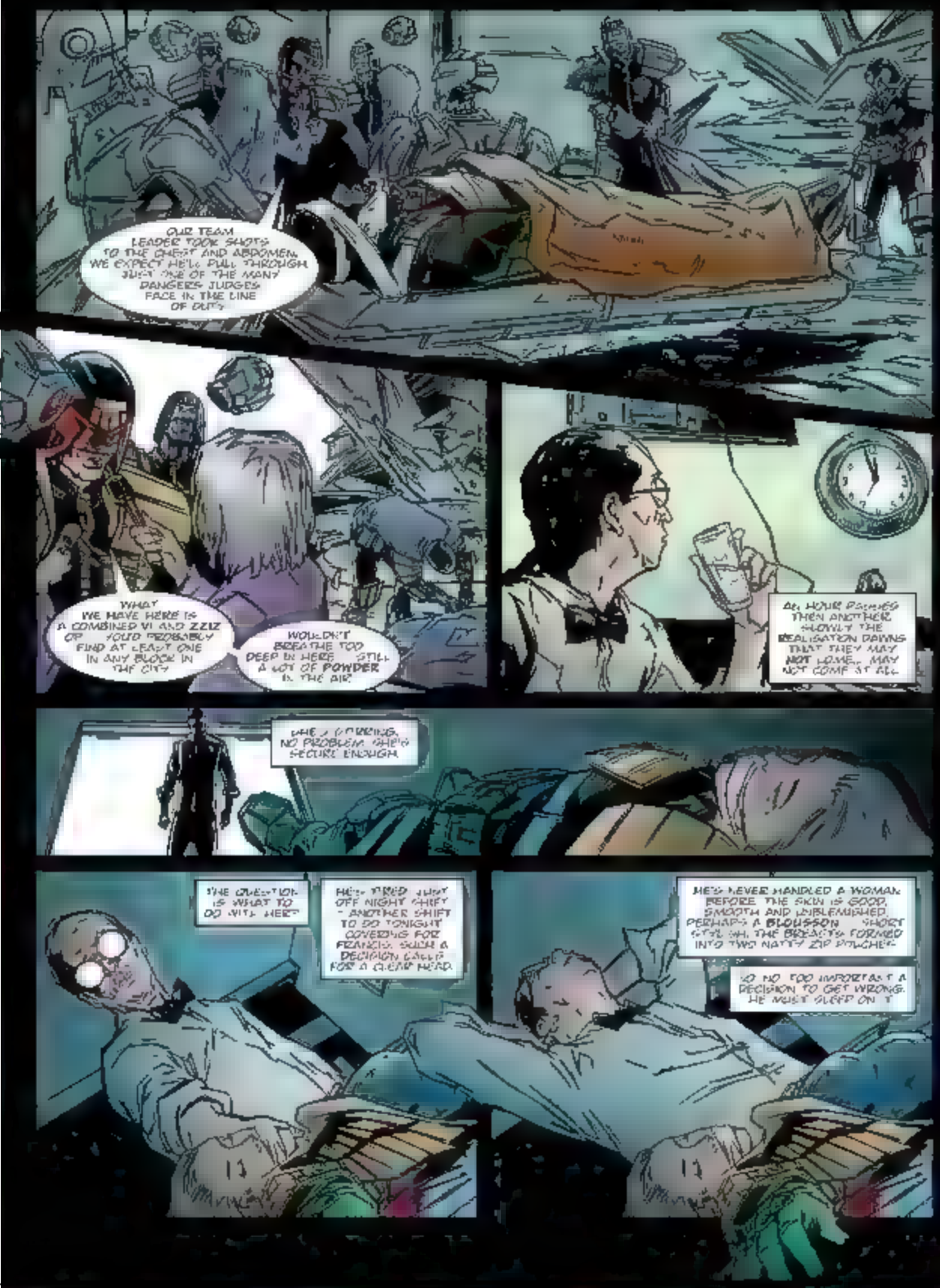
I'M HERE AT NIELSON STREET HOVERBOWL WHERE AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ARMED SUSPECTS HAVE TAKEN REFUGE. JUDGES ARE NOT STANDING ON CEREMONY
KERRUMBBBBLLL
MEDLEY'S SQUAD WE'RE FINISHED HERE. WHERE DO YOU WANT US?
GO TO LEVEL 4 YOUR USE
THERE'S SOMETHING I WANT TO CHECK. I'LL CATCH YOU UP
OKAY BIGGS. LEVEL 41.
I HAD BEEN A CLOSE CALL. NEVER BEFORE HAS HE COME SO CLOSE TO DISCOVERY
2239
DEFINITELY SOMETHING NOT RIGHT ALL THE OTHER APARTMENTS ON THIS SIDE ARE FIVE ROOM. WHY'S THIS ONLY THREE..?

HOLLOW.
WHAT IN HELL'S NAME
DROKK.
HE'S GOOD WITH THAT FLENSING TOOL
UNHH!
THAT'S ONE THING THE ALWAYS SAY ABOUT SKINNER, HE'S GOOD WITH THAT FLENSING TOOL..

BUMPER CHARGES SET
4132 B
BACK!
FLWCCCCOM
ZZIZ RESPIRATORS.
TEAM LEADER'S DOWN! MEDS TO 4132B GEIN!
MEANWHILE MANY LEVELS BELOW
UHHH

OH YES, SKINNER MAY NOT BE RUSSELL MANCUSO BUT HE'S GOOD WITH THAT FLENSING TOOL
UNGH!

ONLY WHEN HE HAS HER SECURED DOES THE FULL ENORMITY OF WHAT HE'S DONE STRIKE HOME. A JUDGE SUCH A MOVE AND GOD THERE WOULD BE, WHY OTHERS COULD BE ON THEIR WAY RIGHT NOW
HE'D HAD NO CHOICE IN THE MATTER SHE'D FORCED HIS HAND.
SOMETIMES THINGS HAPPEN THAT WAY GO ALONG FOR YEARS WITHOUT A HITCH, THEN OUT OF THE BLUE WHOA TAKES A TURN FOR THE WORSE
Urb Karlan
THE BURNING MAN
ALL HE CAN DO IS COVER UP AS BEST AS HE CAN.
COME ABOUT THE DOOM.
HEY WHAT'S GOIN ON ROUND HERE? JUDGES CRAWLIN' OUTA EVERY ORIFICE MAN.
NO DOOM. GO AWAY.
SNATCH
OH GRUD.


OUR TEAM LEADER TOOK SHOTS TO THE CHEST AND ABDOMEN. WE EXPECT HE'LL PULL THROUGH. JUST ONE OF THE MANY DANGERS JUDGES FACE IN THE LINE OF DUTY.
WHAT WE HAVE HERE IS A COMBINED VI AND ZZIZ OP. YOU'D PROBABLY FIND AT LEAST ONE IN ANY BLOCK IN THE CITY.
WOULDN'T BREATHE TOO DEEP IN HERE. STILL A LOT OF POWDER IN THE AIR.
AN HOUR PASSES THEN ANOTHER. SLOWLY THE REALISATION DAWNS THAT THEY MAY NOT COME. MAY NOT COME AT ALL.
ONE LOCKING. NO PROBLEM. SHE'S SECURE ENOUGH.
THE QUESTION IS WHAT TO DO WITH HER?
HE'D TRIED JUDY OFF NIGHT CHIEF - ANOTHER SHIFT TO DO TONIGHT COVERING FOR FRANCIS. SUCH A DECISION CALLS FOR A CLEAR HEAD.
HE'S NEVER HANDLED A WOMAN BEFORE. THE SKIN IS GOOD, SMOOTH AND UNBLEMISHED. PERHAPS A BLOUSSON SHORT GIRL IN THE BREASTS FORMED INTO TWO NATTY ZIP PINCHES.
SO NO TOO IMPORTANT A DECISION TO GET WRONG. HE MUST SLEEP ON IT.

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WHEN HE WAKES TO BARELY TWO HOURS TILL HE'S DUE ON SHIFT
HERE AT MEGA-BLOCK 80 IS RAPIDLY NEARING CAPACITY
SINCE THE CRACKDOWN BEGAN OVER 3000 PERPETRATORS HAVE PASSED THROUGH. IT'S GRIM DOWN THERE
LIVE
NEWS BULLETIN
NEARLY TWELVE HOURS SINCE SHE FELL INTO HIS HANDS. SURELY NO ONE WILL COME NOW.
AH, YOU'RE AWAKE. GOOD, GOOD. I HOPE I DIDN'T CAUSE YOU TOO MUCH DISTRESS
I'M AFRAID I'M GOING TO HAVE TO LEAVE YOU FOR A WHILE. JUST TIME FIRST TO GET YOU PREPARED
DON'T WORRY, THIS WON'T HURT A BIT
AT 14:00 HOURS ON THE SECOND DAY DREDD BRINGS THE CRACKDOWN TO A END.
TAKE AN HOUR TO REFUEL, CATCH UP ON SLEEP, THEN ALL UNITS ASSEMBLE IN SECTOR 141.
SIR
WE HAVE AN OFFICER MISSING, SIR - BIGGS. WE'VE TRIED CONTACTING HER BUT SHE DOESN'T RESPOND.
WHEN DID THIS HAPPEN?
I AM NOT SURE SIR. MEDLEY WAS IN CHARGE. WHEN HE GOT HIT WE WERE SPLIT UP - HALF WENT TO STRATEGIC RESERVE HALF ON SIDE DOWNTOWN, DON'T NOTICE HE WAS MISSING TILL WE REGROUPED AT 18:30
YES, SIR. I'M SORRY - IT'S MY FAULT. I SHOULD HAVE BEEN MORE ON THE BALL
WHERE WERE YOU BEFORE? GEIN TOWER WASN'T IT?
ALL RIGHT IT'S DONE NOW. LET'S CONCENTRATE ON FINDING HER

PUBLIC
GRINDER
HE TAKES THE HOVERBUS TO SECTOR 50 BECAUSE HE'S USED THE GARBAGE GRINDER BY THE VIADUCT MANY TIMES BEFORE
- THOUGH NEVER WITH SUCH DANGEROUS TOOLS TO DISPOSE OF. THERE'D BE NO WAY OF EXPLAINING THIS AWAY
WHO'S UP MR-ME?!
NOT A JUDGE THANK GOD.
THE RISKS HE TAKES FOR HIS ART
NOTHIN' TIGHT LITTLE DREES? WHY DON'T HE JUST DUMP IT LIKE EVERYONE ELSE?
HEY -
WELL LOOK AT THAT
RIGGS

JUDGE DREDD I'M DIDN'T EXPECT TO SEE YOU SIR
I WAS IN THE VICINITY. DON'T BE NERVOUS CONNORS SPIT IT OUT
YOU GOT SOMETHING FOR US CADET?
UH, CREEP STOPPED BY THE GRINDER APPROXIMATELY TEN MINUTES AGO DUMPED A BAG FULL WAS GASPACHO HERE SAW IT ALL DIDN'T YOU MRS G?
THAT'S RIGHT MA'AM
THIS FELL OUT
DESCRIPTION?
AVERAGE HEIGHT HAT COAT COLLAR PULLED UP HIGH SHE DIDN'T PAY HIM MUCH ATTENTION YOUR EYES WERE ON THE GRINDER WEREN'T THEY MRS G?
CREEP HEADED OFF THROUGH THE UNDERSHED
I GET A REWARD.
WE'LL SEE TO THAT CONNORS. WAIT TILL FORENSICS GETS HERE I WANT THE GRINDER OPENED AND THE CONTENTS EXAMINED.
YESS, SIR
CONTROL, CHECK WITH SO REGYK SUSPECT CAME THROUGH THE UNDERSHED THEIR CAMERAS MUST HAVE PICKED HIM UP
FEELS GOOD TO BE BACK IN THE MIX BIT ROUGH ON THE CADET TAKING OVER HIS CASE STILL
SENIOR JUDGE COUNCIL OF FIVE NOW WONDER'S NOT BE DOING HIS JOB IF HE DIDN'T HELP BRING THE YOUNGSTERS ON
NEVER MIND WAITING FOR FORENSICS. CONNORS THE GRINDER'S GROT IS NOWHERE.
OK YOUR BIKE TIME'S WASTING
YESS SIR

DELTA SIGH ING'S TOO BAD TO GET A CLEAR I.D. WE'RE TRYING TO ENHANCE THE PICTURES BUT THERE'S ONE ONE PERSON MATCHING YOUR DESCRIPTION IN THAT ONE FRAME AND THE CAMS TRACK HIM ALL THE WAY INTO RESYK.
SIR, THAT'S MANFRED SKINNER. SKIN' WE CALL HIM FOR SHORT. HE'S OUR GO-TO GUY IN THE GRINDERS. THAT'S WHERE HE'LL BE. YOU WANT ME TO CALL HIM DOWN?
NEGATIVE. YOU GOT A HOME ADDRESS FOR HIM?
PETERSON. WHERE ARE YOU?
CHECK OUT APARTMENT 223408.
I'M AT RESYK PREPARING TO INTERVIEW THE RESIDENT NAMED SKINNER. MANFRED SKINNER. THINK IT HIGHLY PROBABLE HE'S IMPLICATED IN RIGGS DISAPPEARANCE.
WHAT'S THE PLAN, CONNERS?
SIR
THE PLAN OF ACTION. YOU'RE INVOLVED HERE GET WITH IT
UH, WE HAVE TO TAKE HIM ALIVE SIR.
WHY?
HE MIGHT HAVE DONE SOMETHING WITH HER ASSUMING HE'S THE ONE WE MAY NEED HIM TO TALK.
OKAY COVER THE GANTRY

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SKINNER.
THIS IS JUDGE DREDD COME AND TALK TO ME SKINNER
RIGGS! ARE YOU HERE?
SKINNER! DONT MAKE THINGS WORSE FOR YOURSELF!
HE KNOWS THE GAME IS UP THEY'VE FOUND OUT
THERE WILL BE NO ESCAPE FOR HIM. HE'S WELL AWARE OF THAT. NO ONE ESCAPES THE JUDGES. ONCE THEY'RE ON TO YOU ESPECIALLY DREDD. YET STILL SOME INSTINCT MAKES HIM FLEE
CONNORS! HE'S COMING YOUR WAY!
NOTHING HERE
YOU HEAR SOMETHING?
Urb Karlan: THE BURNING MAN
IT'S COMING FROM
DROKK

STOP OR I'LL SHOOT!
LET THEM DO THEIR WORST IT'S OVER
HE THINKS OF ALL HIS CREATIONS HIS ART HIDDEN THERE IN THE SECRET ROOM NEVER TO SEE IT AGAIN NEVER TO RUN HIS HANDS OVER THAT PRECIOUS SKIN.
YET IT IS A REGRET TINGED WITH.. YES TINGED WITH PRIDE
I WARN YOU UNGG!
AT LEAST NOW THE CITY WOULD SEE - THE PEOPLE WOULD UNDERSTAND WHAT THEY HAD HAD IN THEIR MIDST
SWEET MERCY WHAT IS THIS ?
SHE'S HERE
UNNHH.
PEEPP WE FOUND HER THERE - A SECRET ROOM HERE SHE IS ALIVE
MMMMM.

DOESN'T LOOK TOO BAD. MED WAGON'S ON ITS WAY
MAYBE NEXT TIME CONNORS YOU'LL COME IN A LITTLE SOONER WITH THE DAYSTICK
- LATER -
NEIGHBOUR SAYS HE USED TO PUT UP A NOTICE AT THE ZOOM ROOM TO RENT
THE SKINNING ZOOM.
DOOR MECHANISMS ON THE LOCK THERE PRETTY GOOD JOB EXCEPT BIGGS FIGURED OUT IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN A BIGGER APARTMENT WONDERED WHY
SO SHE CAME BACK TO CHECK AND SKINNER CAUGHT HER UNAWARES
SHE'S LUCKY TO BE ALIVE HE WAS DUE ON NIGHT SHIFT DIDN'T WANT TO RISK DAMAGING THE SKIN BY REMOVING IT IN A HURRY
THE JOB AT RESYK SUITED HIM PERFECTLY HE OBVIOUSLY STORED THE PARTS HERE AND DISPOSED OF THEM AT WORK WHEN SHIFTS ALLOWED
THERE WAS A HOLD-ALL IN A LOCKER. I SENT IT TO SECTOR HOUSE FOR BLOOD AND DNA
UNITED
THEY'VE IDENTIFIED FOUR OF THE VICTIMS ALREADY WHO KNOWS HOW MANY WE'LL FIND? HIS ACTIVITIES GO BACK OVER YEARS.
I'M NO EXPERT BUT SOME OF THIS STUFF LOOKS PRETTY GOOD OUT-STANDING ACTUALLY GUY SURE COULD WORK WITH SKIN.
WELL JUST DON'T FIGURE ON IT WORKING ANY CATWALK PERSONA

HOT NIGHT IN 95

LOGAN?
JUST DROPPED BY TO SHOW YOU MY NEW ARM.
THEY'RE GROWING IT FROM MY OWN CELLS. FULLY ARTICULATED - SOON I CAN WIGGLE MY FINGERS.
FASCINATING.
WHEN IT'S GROWN ALL YOU'LL SEE IS A RIDGE WHERE IT JOINS. THEN THEY'LL DO MY LEG.
THE WONDERS OF MEDICINE.
YOU OUGHT TO LEAVE THAT OFF. GIVE IT SOME AIR.
GOT TO KEEP IT PROTECTED FOR NOW. BONES ARE STILL A LITTLE FRAGILE. I HAVE TO WORK OUT WITH IT - YOU KNOW WEIGHTS AND STUFF.
NAT KATKIN SAID YOU WERE GOING TO BE THE NEW CHIEF AT 45. I TOLD HIM NO CHANCE.
COUNCIL OF FIVE NOW LOGAN.
CAN'T SHRUG ALL MY RESPONSIBILITIES TO JUST TEMPORARILY TILL ASHTON RECOVERS.
WHY SHOULD THERE BE? WHAT IS THIS ANYWAY THE SPANISH INQUISITION?
JUST KEEPING UP WITH DEVELOPMENTS. GOT TO KNOW WHICH WAY THE WINDS BLOWING THESE DAYS.
I PITY THEM. THEY WON'T KNOW WHAT HIT THEM.
I HEAR HERSHEY'S COMING IN TODAY. NO CONNECTION, IS THERE?
THERE'S SOMETHING IN THAT. NO NO CONNECTION.
THOUGHT I'D MEET HER AT THE SPACEPORT. SHE DESERVES SOME KIND OF RECEPTION. EVEN IF IT IS ONLY ME.
THROW HER A VID FROM ME. TELL HER ABOUT THE ARM.

WHO BRINGS YOU BACK?
RUMOUR HAD MEDICAL
WORD GETS AROUND
NOTHING SERIOUS A FEW TESTS THAT'S ALL
FRANCISCO WANTS TO SEE ME WHILE I'M HERE I'M HALF AFRAID HE'S GOING TO OFFER ME A JOB
THAT'S NOT WHAT YOU WANT
IT'S BEEN A GOOD BREAK I DIDN'T REALISE HOW MUCH I NEEDED ONE TO BE HONEST I'M NOT SURE I'M READY TO COME BACK NOT YET
AND YOU COUNCIL OF FIVE NEVER THOUGHT THERE'D COME A DAY
DO YOU WONDER THE CITIZENS JUDGES DIDN'T FEEL HAD A CHOICE
THE BEARABLE BETTER THAN THE ALTERNATIVE CERTAINLY
AND FRANCISCO?
HE'S OKAY HE'S FINE HE'S NOT YOU OF COURSE BUT HE'S SHAPING UP QUITE WELL NOW WE'VE PUT THE MINDWIPED EPITHODE BEHIND US
SO AM I TEMPORARY CHIEF WHEN YOU'VE FINISHED YOUR BUSINESS COME OVER WE'LL PUT YOU ON A BIKE FOR AN HOUR OR TWO SEE IF THAT DOESN'T GIVE YOU A TASTE FOR THE STREETS AGAIN
FOLLOWING THE ACID ATTACK THAT PUT SECTOR CHIEF ROPER ASHTON IN INTENSIVE CARE JUDGE JOE DEEDD TONIGHT ARRIVED TO TAKE UP THE HELM OF 2B
HE'LL HAVE HIS HANDS FULL AS WELL AS ANOTHER STONING CRIME IN HERE'S COLLY BRIDEGROVE IN PRECINCT 17.

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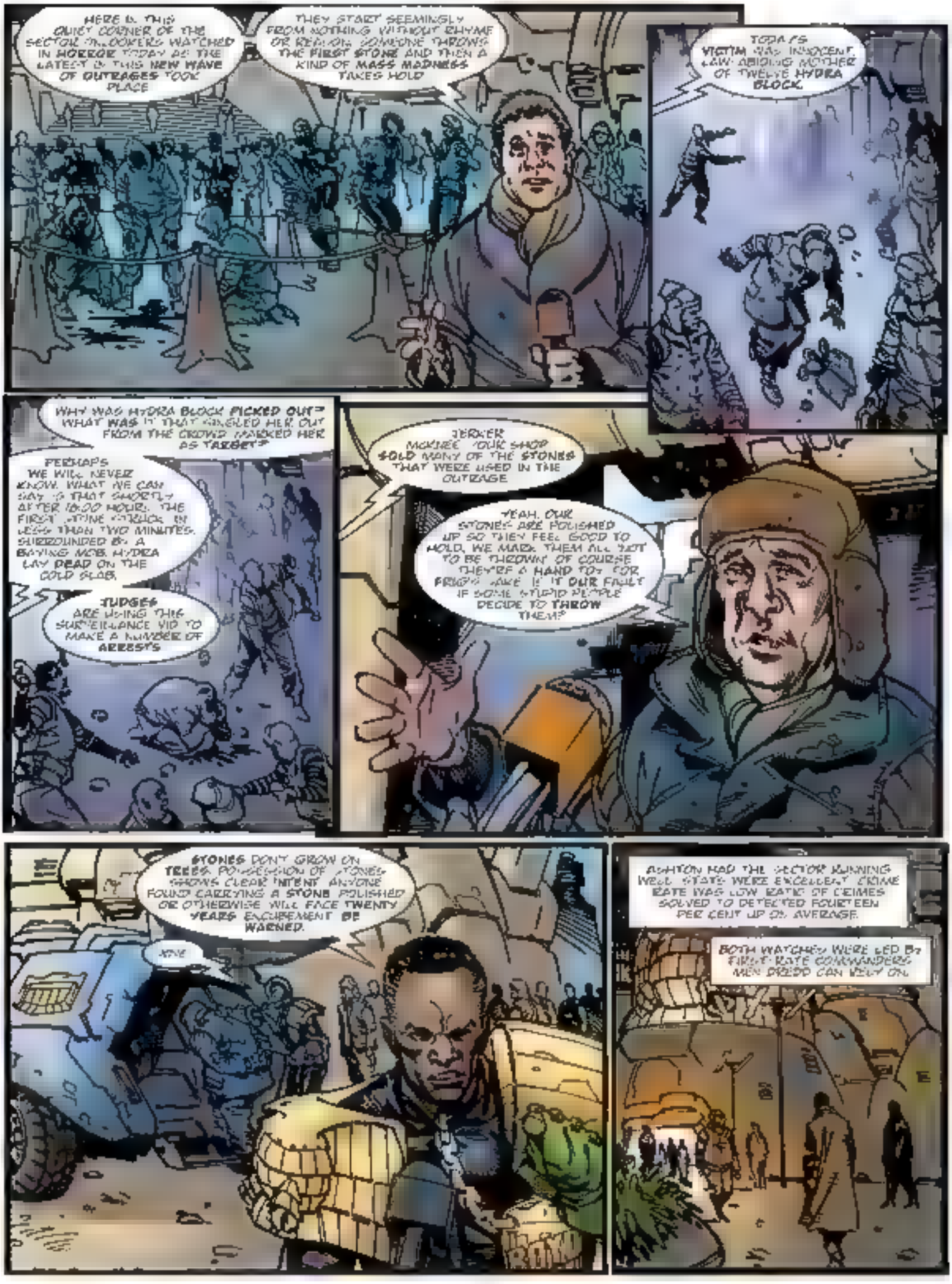
HERE IN THIS QUIET CORNER OF THE SECTOR LOOKERS WATCHED IN HORROR TODAY AS THE LATEST IN THIS NEW WAVE OF OUTRAGES TOOK PLACE
THEY START SEEMINGLY FROM NOTHING WITHOUT RHYME OR REASON SOMEONE THROWS THE FIRST STONE AND THEN A KIND OF MASS MADNESS TAKES HOLD
TODAY'S VICTIM WAS INNOCENT LAW ABIDING MOTHER OF TWELVE HYDRA BLOCK
WHY WAS HYDRA BLOCK PICKED OUT? WHAT WAS IT THAT SINGLED HER OUT FROM THE CROWD MARKED HER AS TARGET?
PERHAPS WE WILL NEVER KNOW. WHAT WE CAN SAY IS THAT SHORTLY AFTER 10:00 HOURS THE FIRST STONE STRUCK IN LESS THAN TWO MINUTES SURROUNDED BY A BAYING MOB HYDRA LAY DEAD ON THE COLD SLAB
JUDGES ARE USING THIS SURVEILLANCE VID TO MAKE A NUMBER OF ARRESTS
JERKER MCKEE YOUR SHOP SOLD MANY OF THE STONES THAT WERE USED IN THE OUTRAGE
YEAH OUR STONES ARE POLISHED UP SO THEY FEEL GOOD TO HOLD WE MARK THEM ALL NOT TO BE THROWN OF COURSE THEY'RE A HAND TO FOR FRIGG'S SAKE IS IT OUR FAULT IF SOME STUPID PEOPLE DECIDE TO THROW THEM?
STONES DON'T GROW ON TREES POSSESSION OF STONES SHOWS CLEAR INTENT ANYONE FOUND CARRYING A STONE POLISHED OR OTHERWISE WILL FACE TWENTY YEARS ENCUMBRANCE BE WARNED
SEVE
ASHTON HAD THE SECTOR RUNNING WELL STATS WERE EXCELLENT CRIME RATE WAS LOW RATIO OF CRIMES SOLVED TO DETECTED FOURTEEN PER CENT UP ON AVERAGE
BOTH WATCHES WERE LED BY FIRST RATE COMMANDERS MEN DREDD CAN RELY ON

IT SHOULDN'T BE MUCH TROUBLE TO KEEP THINGS TICKING OVER TILL ASHTON RETURNS. WITH LUCK HE'LL GET IN PLENTY OF STREET TIME.
DELL SIR.
THEY TELL ME YOU'LL ONLY TALK TO ME DELL SO TALK
I... I DIDN'T EXPECT ANY OF THEM TO BELIEVE ME. I DON'T EVEN KNOW IF YOU WILL. I DID IT BECAUSE PEOPLE HAD TO KNOW WHAT HE WAS LIKE
YOU'RE REFERRING TO SECTOR CHIEF ASHTON? YOU WERE AN AUXILIARY ASSIGNED TO HIS OFFICE
SO WHAT WAS HE LIKE?
WHAT DID HE DO THAT WAS SO BAD YOU THOUGHT IT WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA TO THROW ACID IN HIS FACE?
WHEN WE WERE ALONE LATE AT NIGHT HE... HE WOULD MAKE ME DO THINGS. VILE THINGS.
TAKE IT YOU'RE REFERRING TO ACTS OF A LEWD NATURE?
THAT AND MORE
I SEE. A WHOLE CATALOGUE OF SINS. ALL RIGHT DELL I'VE HEARD ENOUGH.
RIGHT? SUCH ALLEGATIONS AGAINST A SECTOR CHIEF SHOULD BE HANDLED BY SJS -
YOU DON'T WANT TO LISTEN? THERE YOU'RE ALL THE SAME YOU CLOSE RANKS?
CALL GARCIA AT SJS. TELL HER I WANT THIS DEALT WITH PRIORITY
YES SIR
HE'S DEALT WITH ENOUGH PERPS TO KNOW THAT DELL IS LYING. HE WONDERS WHY?
NO DOUBT GARCIA'S PEOPLE WILL GET TO THE BOTTOM OF IT
JUDGE HERSHEY - GOOD TO SEE YOU BACK MA'AM.
THAT OFFER STILL OPEN?
I THOUGHT YOU WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO RESIST. I WAS GOING TO TAKE AN HOUR OR TWO ANYWAY, TO FAMILIARISE MYSELF WITH THE SECTOR.

QUIET TONIGHT. A STORMING EARLIER BUT THAT'S WELL IN HAND. THE USUAL RUN OF PETTY CRIME AND MINDLESS VIOLENCE
STILL NO DOUBT SOMETHING INTERESTING WILL TURN UP
PUT IT AWAY B. TOO EARLY. WAIT TILL THE MARK
EVER WONDER WHY WE'RE DOING THIS? THERE'S YOUR ANSWER. EVERYTHING YOU HATE ABOUT THE MESS · GLUTTONY · WASTE · GREED · DEPRAVIT-
OH, YEAH, THEY GOT IT COMIN' MAN, THEY'VE SO GOT IT COMING
DISPLAY

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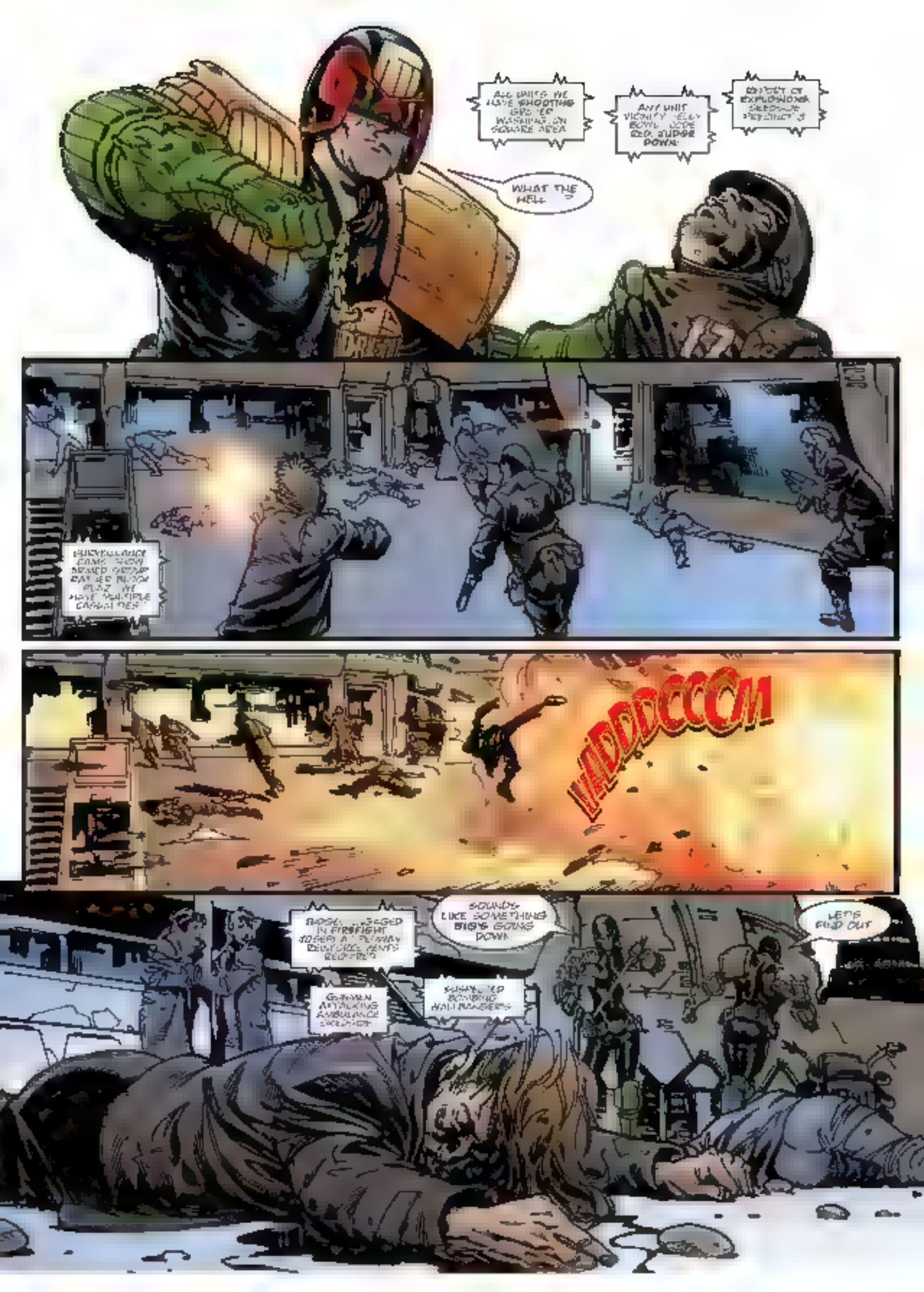
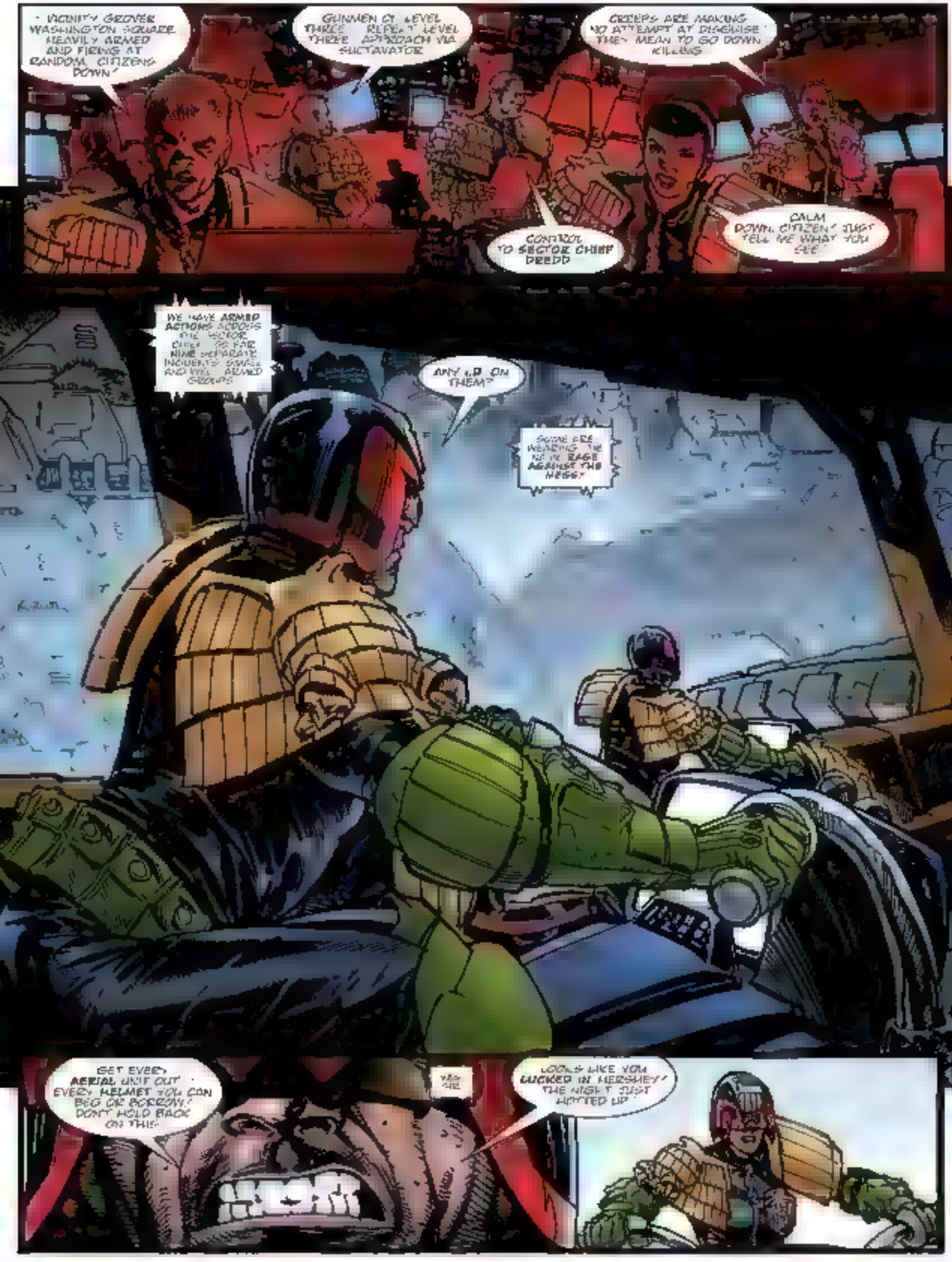
TRENCHMAN! TRENCHMAN!
GO JOE!
SUCK IT DOWN, BIG BILL!
STOP EATING
WEIGHTMEISTER CHECK THE SCALES!
AT TWELVE POINT FIVE FIVE POUNDS ROUND TWO THE RIBSTEAK GOES TO - BIG BILL BALOONSKI.
BALOONSKI TOOK THE SECOND ROUND EASY MAX. ONE MORE AT WERE UP NEXT
HOW YOU FEELIN' BOY?
I'M FEELIN' GOOD MYRTLE. I CAN DO THIS! I KNOW I CAN!
SURE YOU CAN MAX SURE YOU CAN.
YOU JUST WATCH ME GO OUT THERE FAT BOY AIN'T GONNA KNOW WHAT HIT HIM.
DAMN RIGHT
I'M OLD BUT STILL GOT IT I CAN STILL EAT I'LL SHOW 'EM ALL
I GOT TOO MUCH RIDING ON THIS I CAN DO IT GOTTA DO IT!
SHEE YOU WILL MAXIE

HE'S GOT 3 TONES - STONES BURNING A HOLE IN HIS POCKETS
HE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA. A REAL LAUGH. EVERYONE WAS DOING IT WHY SHOULDN'T HE?
BUT NOW HE'S OUT THERE AND A COUPLE OF JAYS GO WHIZZING BY HE START'S TO GET WORRIED.
HE'S GOT TO GET RID OF THEM.
AHH!
UNNH!
HEY EVERYBODY YOU SAW STONED HIM!
COME ON! WHAT ARE YOU WAITIN FOR? LET'S GET HIM. OK? COME ON
HUH?

GET HIM
KUZZBAM
HE'S MAD !
THEY'LL LEARN YOU 'EUMMER
JAYC MAN SCRAMBLE!
JUST LIKE OLD TIMES!
ONLY THE DUMB CRIME HAS CHANGED
YOU HEAR FIRING? THE FIVE STARTED!
NOT NECESSARILY THERE IS ALWAYS SHOOT IG IN THE MEGH
IT IS TIME ANYWAY LET'S GO
VOOM

SEE THEY AIN'T SUPERMEN THEY DIE LIKE ANYBODY ELSE!
OH MY GAWD -
I CALL THE LAW
LET'S GET ON WITH THIS
AAAHHH!
JOVIS
THEY'RE KILLING EVERYONE ELSE!


ALL UNITS WE HAVE SHOOTING GPS TO WARSHIPS ON SQUARE AREA
ANY UNIT VICINITY TELLY BOWL SCOPE RED JUDGE DOWN
WHAT THE HELL
SURVEILLANCE CAMS SHOW ARMED GROUP BATTLED IN NOW PLAZ. WE HAVE MULTIPLE CASUALTIES
WHAAAAAAAM!
BADGE ...ENGAGED IN FIREFIGHT JOSEP A. PLYMAN REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED
SOUNDS LIKE SOMETHING BIG'S GOING DOWN
LET'S FIND OUT
GUNMEN ATTACKING AMBULANCE CREWMEN
SUSPECTED BOMBING HALL MAKERS


VICINITY GROVER WASHINGTON SQUARE. HEAVILY ARMED AND FIRING AT RANDOM CITIZENS DOWN!
GUNMEN AT LEVEL THREE. REPEAT: LEVEL THREE. APPROACH VIA SKYTRAVATOR
CREEPS ARE MAKING NO ATTEMPT AT DISGUISE. THEY MEAN TO GO DOWN KILLING
CONTROL TO SECTOR CHIEF DREDD
CALM DOWN, CITIZEN! JUST TELL ME WHAT YOU SEE
WE HAVE ARMED ACTIONS ACROSS THE SECTOR. CHIEF, SO FAR NINE SEPARATE INCIDENTS. SINGLE AND WELL ARMED GROUPS
ANY I.D. ON THEM?
SOME ARE WEARING THE KIT IN RAGS AGAINST THE HEAT.
GET EVERY AERIAL UNIT OUT. EVERY HELMET YOU CAN BEG OR BORROW! DON'T HOLD BACK ON THIS!
YES SIR.
LOOKS LIKE YOU LUCKED IN HERSHEY! THE NIGHT JUST HOTTED UP.

OBJECTIVE: Spread FEAR and PANIC on the streets.
TACTICAL 1. Attacks to be concentrated on most populous targets.
YOU, YOU GUYS ARE FREAKIN' CRAZY STOP ! GET THE HELL OUT OF HERE
WE GOTTA GET OUTA HERE MAN
2. Optimize casualties! High body count is essential.
3. Spare no one.
WE GOT ZERO VISIBILITY HERE CONTROL! WHERE ARE THOSE AERIAL UNITS ??

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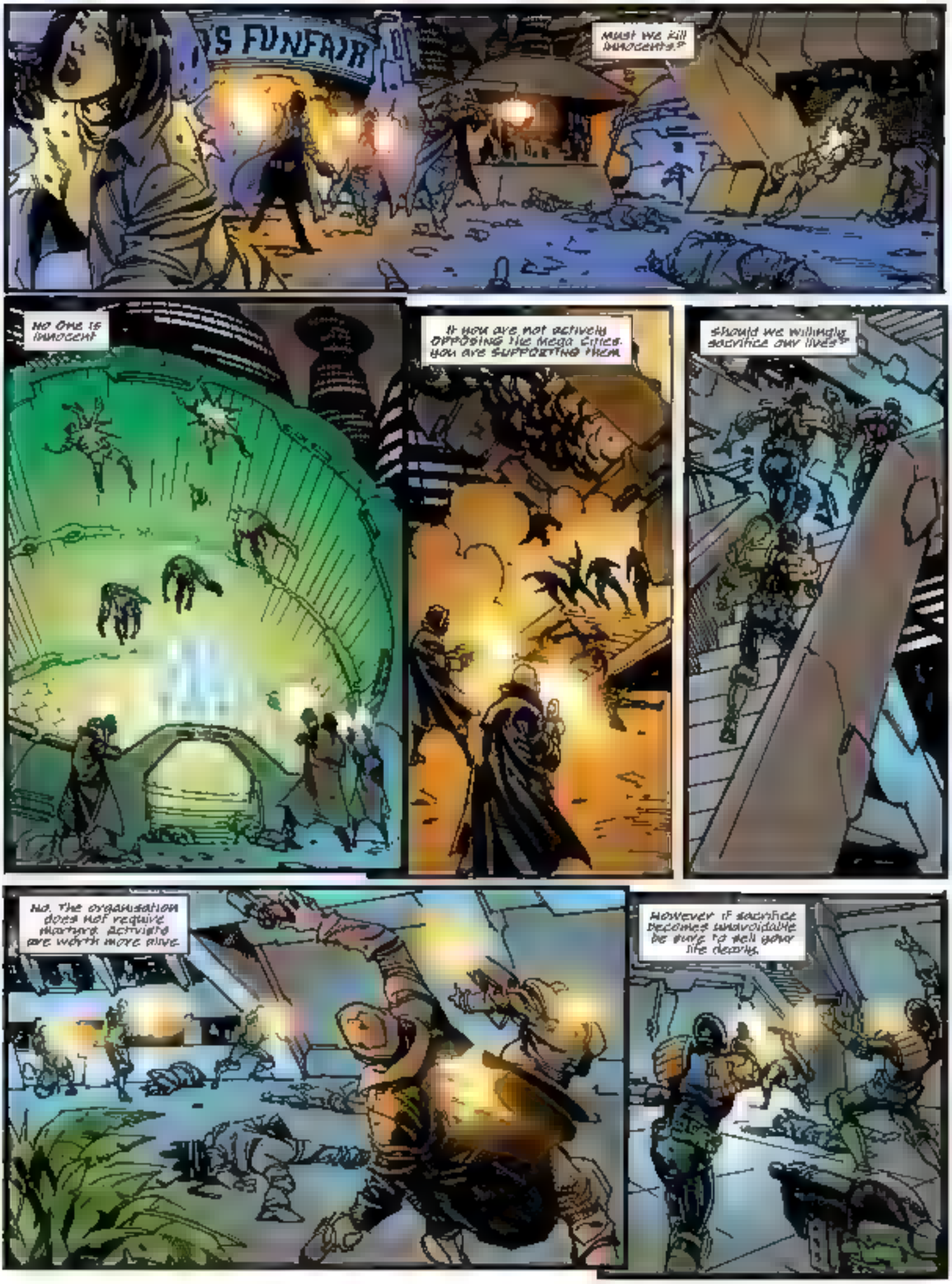
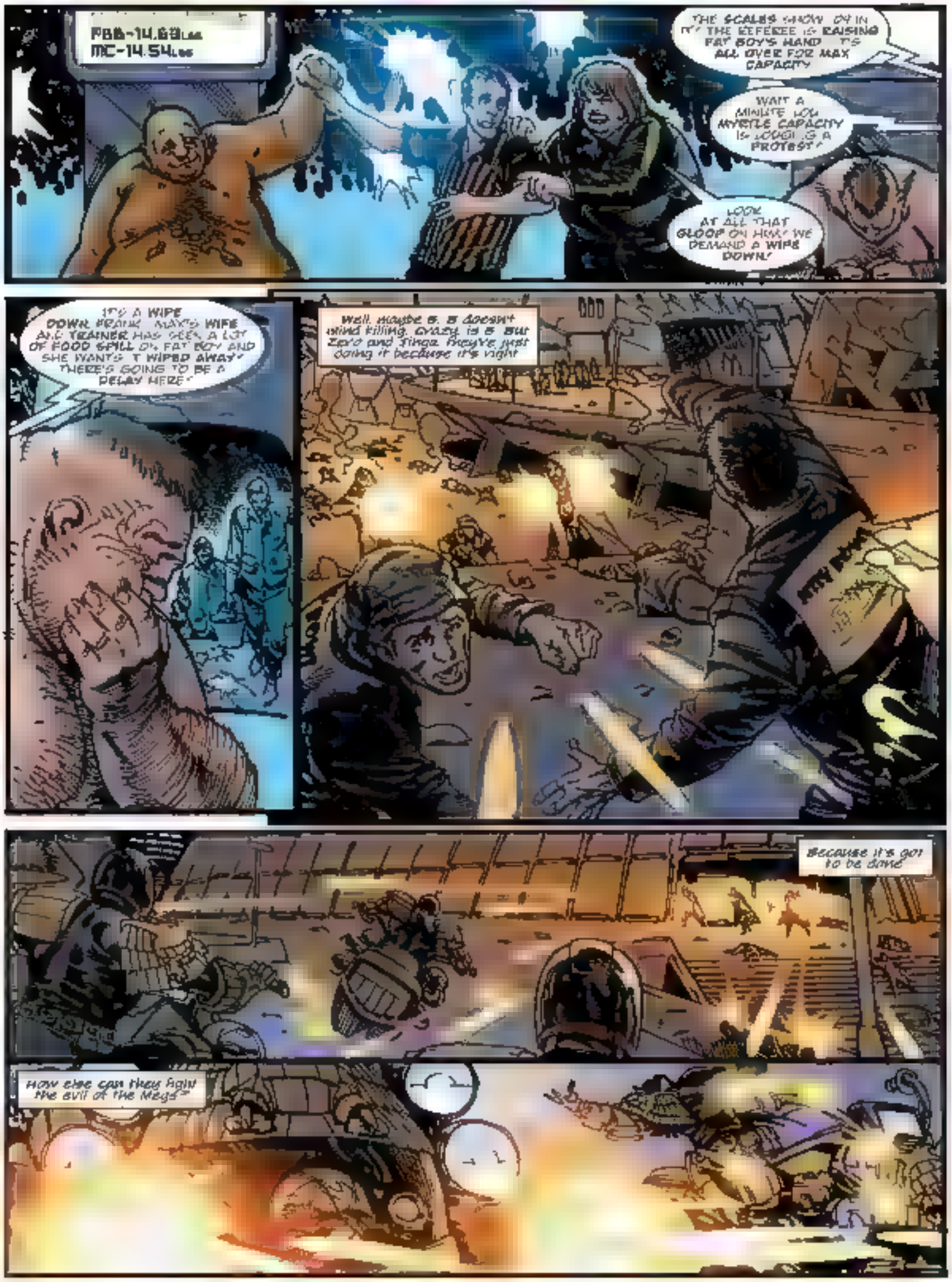
INCOMING!
NOT INCOMING FAST ENOUGH!
COUNT FOUR SHOOTERS!
WE HAVE HEAVY CASUALTIES CONTROL MEDS URGENTLY REQUIRED
LET'S GET BACK OUT OF HERE
WHAT ABOUT KRAMER?
HE'S FINISHED, FORGET HIM.

THIS IS H-WARRIOR! THEY'RE USING CITIZENS AS SHIELDS!
CITIZENS ARE EXPENDABLE TAKE THEM OUT!
BUT SIR
HOW MANY MORE DO YOU WANT TO DIE? TAKE THE X OUT NOW!
ALL OVER AT THE HYPERENA CONTROL! GIVE ME A STATUS UPDATE
WHERE THE HELL ARE THOSE MEDICS?
WE HAVE ACCIDENTS AT GROVER WASHINGTON SQUARE AND BROOKLYN FLEETING AT 10TH THAT MAY BE CONNECTED TO ANY CRIMINAL INJECTION AND PERSON
A WELL-ORGANISED ATTACK PLANNED OUT OF CITY NO DOUBT
WE'RE ON IT FORENSICS TO RUN I.D.S ON THE 4 CREEPS PRIORITY ONE! I WANT TO KNOW IF THEY'RE LOCALS OR IMPORTS!


S FUNFAIR
Must we kill innocents?
No one is innocent
If you are not actively opposing the mega cities, you are supporting them.
Should we willingly sacrifice our lives?
No. The organisation does not require martyrs. Activists are worth more alive.
However if sacrifice becomes unavoidable be sure to sell your life dearly.

ONE WAY
WE'VE GOT THIS WAY COVERED! WE'LL FLANK THEM
HELP ME
MEDICS ON THEIR WAY
GLAD YOU CAME?
WOULDN'T HAVE MISSED IT FOR THE WORLD

NO ONE IS INNOCENT. THEY KEEP TELLING THEMSELVES NO ONE IS INNOCENT. THEY'RE NOT NATURAL KILLERS
COMICS + MASTERS OF MASTICATION + COMICS + ALLERGY ATTACK DUO + COMIC DISPLAY
AND IT'S NECK AND NECK IN ROUND FOUR FORMER ALL PRO MIDDLEWEIGHT CHAMPION MAX CAPACITY MAKING THE BIG COMEBACK TONIGHT BUT HE'S TWO-ONE DOWN AGAINST THE MIGHTY JAWS OF FAT BOY BOB AND WITH SECONDS TO GO IT LOOKS LIKE FAT BOY IS INCHING AHEAD!
HERE BESIDE ME IS FORMER FLAB STAR FRANK LUMPARD
MAX WAS A GOOD EATER ONCE YOU BUT HE FAILED TO HOLD IT DOWN IN SPECTACULAR FASHION IN THE HEINZ SUPERSIZE AND ONCE THE HEAVES GET YOU, IT'S MENTALLY TOUGH TO GO FOR THAT BIG GORGE-OUT
HOW TRUE THAT IS FRANK. EVEN THOUGH HE EDGED FAT BOY IN THE RIBSTEAK HE TOTALS HAVE BEEN WELL DOWN ON HIS BEST AND THERE'S THE BELL!


FBB-14.69Lbs
MC-14.54Lbs
THE SCALES SHOW 0.4 IN MY FAVOR THE REFEREE IS RAISING FAT BOY'S HAND IT'S ALL OVER FOR MAX CAPACITY
WAIT A MINUTE YOU MYRTLE CAPACITY IS LOOGI IS A PROTEST
LOOK AT ALL THAT GLOOP ON HERE WE DEMAND A WIPE DOWN!
IT'S A WIPE DOWN FROM MAX'S WIFE AND TRAINER HAS SEEN A LOT OF FOOD SPILL ON FAT BOY AND SHE WANTS IT WIPED AWAY THERE'S GOING TO BE A DELAY HERE
Well, maybe E. B doesn't mind killing. Crazy is E But Zero and Tinga they've just doing it because it's right
Because it's got to be done
How else can they fight the evil of the Meys?

LOVE YOU, EL
LOOKS LIKE THIS IS GETTING SERIOUS.
NOTHING YOU CAN DO FOR ME. YOU GO ON. I'LL... I'LL HOLD 'EM.
AND I'M HEARING THERE'S A LITTLE COMMOTION OUTSIDE. NO DOUBT THE ASSAIL PEOPLE IS FROM THE ANTI-FLAB BRIGADE. WELL, WE'RE JUST CARRYING ON REGARDLESS. FLAB FANS BE DAMNED. WE DON'T CARE!
DAMN. RIGHT NOW, ON STAGE THE WIPERS ARE JUST CLEANING UP OUR EATERS FOR THE RE-WEIGH AND JUST LOOK AT MAX CAPACITY!
LOOKS LIKE MAX IS HAVING TROUBLE KEEPING IT IN. HAS MAX CAPACITY REACHED OVER-CAPACITY?
HOLD IT DOWN, MAX! HOLD IT!
AFTER THE WIPE DOWN THE WEIGHTS HAVE BEEN CORRECTED! ROUND FOUR GOES TO
FBB-14.47LBS
MC-14.52LBS
FBB-14.47LBS
MC-14.52LBS
OH! NOW IT'S FAT BOY'S TURN TO LODGE A PROTEST! TRAINER SKINNY MUFFIN IS APPROACHING THE REFEREE!
SKINNY'S SEEN MAX'S DISTRESS. HE'S TRYING TO DELAY THE VERDICT. IF MAX HEAVES BEFORE THE ANNOUNCEMENT THE CONTEST GOES TO FAT BOY. IF MAX HOLDS ON WE'RE INTO A SUDDEN DEATH GORGE-OFF!

AND MAX IS LOOKING IN SEVERE DISTRESS! YES HOLD ONTO YOUR HATS FOLKS BIG MAX COULD BLOW!
STAY STRONG MAX!
DEATH TO THE MEGS!
MATCH REFEREE IVAN ONAN IS DISMISSING THE PROTEST
AND ROUND FOUR GOES TO
OI MY GELD
AAAAHHH!
GEE MAX THIS WASN'T ON THE CARD

TERRORIST ATTACKS CONTINUE ACROSS THE CITY -
THE JELLY BOWL! THEY'RE BLASTIN EVERYONE. GET HERE QUICK!
JUDGES ARE ON SCENE KEEP YOUR HEAD DOWN, CITIZEN!
The organization does not require martyrs. They'd all laughed about that one.
DON'T require but they sure get plenty.
LIKE THE LAW IS JUST GOING TO LET THEM WALK AWAY FROM THIS?"
PEOPLE DYING ALL AROUND US AND STILL MAX CAPACITY IS HOLDING IN
BUT HE CAN'T HOLD ON FOREVER, LOU, AND WHILE THE REF DECLARES THIS ROUND OVER I AIN'T OVER-CAPACITY COULD STILL LOSE THIS!
YOU GOTTA ANNOUNCE THE RESULT
ARE YOU OUT OF YOUR MIND?" GET OUTA HERE!

Still, they'd never kidded themselves. Never swallowed the company line. You weren't expected to vanish. Everybody knew this was how it would end.
DUCK AND COVER BABY.
It was a price they were willing to pay.
YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT THIS MEANS TO MAX! I AIN'T GONNA LET HIM FAIL JUST 'COS YOU'RE TOO DAMN YELLOW TO DO YOUR DUTY!
LET 'EMME GO!
MAKE THE ANNOUNCEMENT!
WAROOOOOM
AND-AND THE W-WINNER OF ROUND FOUR THE BLANCHANGE - M-MUH-MUH-MAX CAPACITY!
THERE'S THE ROUND FOUR RESULT AND WE'RE INTO A SUDDEN DEATH BOREOUT!
AND LOOK OUT YOUNG AND OLD!
HERE BLOWS BIG MAX

JET PACK!
IT'S A BIG ONE, LOU!
HUH?
SPLOOOTCH!

CAN'T FREAKIN' SEE -
UHH - -
SINGA -
YOU DID GOOD KID. SHOWED THOSE MEGGERS-
His fight now.
He's tried to figure out good words to say when the time comes. It's here now...
THIS IS FOR ALL THE LITTLE PEOPLE!
EH?"

IT'S GONE ALL QUIET FRANK. FOR THOSE OF YOU JUST JOINING US WE'RE HERE AT THE JELLY BOWL WHERE WE'VE HAD A BIT OF AN INCIDENT.
MAYBE THERE IS A WAY OUT OF THIS
THAT'S RIGHT LOU. WE WERE AT TWO-ONE NOW TWO-TWO IN THE LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT BOUT BETWEEN FAT BOY BOB AND MAX CAPACITY WHEN ALL HELL BROKE LOOSE!
IN THE RING CAN SEE THE PARTICIPANTS PUMPING THEMSELVES UP AND - WHOA. FAT BOY'S TRAINER SKINNY MUFFIN IS LOOKING AGITATED THERE
HE'S DEAD! DEAD! TAKEN IN HIS PRIME! OH WOE
A TRAGEDY AND IT CAN ONLY MEAN ONE THING
WH-WHAT?
FAT BOY AIN'T FIT TO CONTINUE! THE CONTEST GOES TO MAX CAPACITY!
GEE! I'M BACK IN A GAME
FIT! IT HADDA BE IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES
EVERYBODY KEEP YOUR HANDS WHERE WE CAN SEE THEM
THIS WAY!

THEY'RE HARDLY INTO CENTRAL WHEN HERSHEY TAKES THE FIRST HIT
THE RAGERS AREN'T EXPECTING OPPOSITION FROM THEIR DIRECTION AND THEY NAIL TWO MAYBE THREE IN QUICK TIME.
HERSHEY

THINK I CAN STILL USE IT
CAN HAPPEN TO ANYONE. NOT BECAUSE YOU'RE RUSTY OR ANYTHING.
THANKS FOR THOSE WORDS OF SUPPORT
THE SECOND WOUND THOUGH THAT'S THE BAD ONE.
JUST WHEN IT LOOKS LIKE THEY'VE GOT THE SITUATION WRAPPED UP
STOP WHERE YOU ARE. FLAT ON THE FLOOR! DON'T COME ANY CLOSER!
YOU HEARD.
WE'LL WIN IN THE END YOU KNOW.
KABOOOM!

WHEN THE DUST SETTLES HERSHEY'S LYING THERE WITH A LUMP OF THE CREEP'S JAW IN HER NECK
CODE RED! WE HAVE A BLEEDER! MEDICS REQUIRED THAT'S IMMEDIATE!
Hard to believe, but maybe Earp's bucked the odds.
NO SIGN OF HIM!

No better place to lose himself than in a crowd.
The organisation has safe houses, slaughterers. They've been given numbers to memorise. Never thought he'd get a chance to use them.
SOMETHIN'S UP MY NOSE
GET A LOAD OF HIM.
EEWWW - THAT'S VOM!
HEY, SICKBAG!
GET HIM
KILL HIM
STINK OF SICK! STINK OF SICK!
M-MEY

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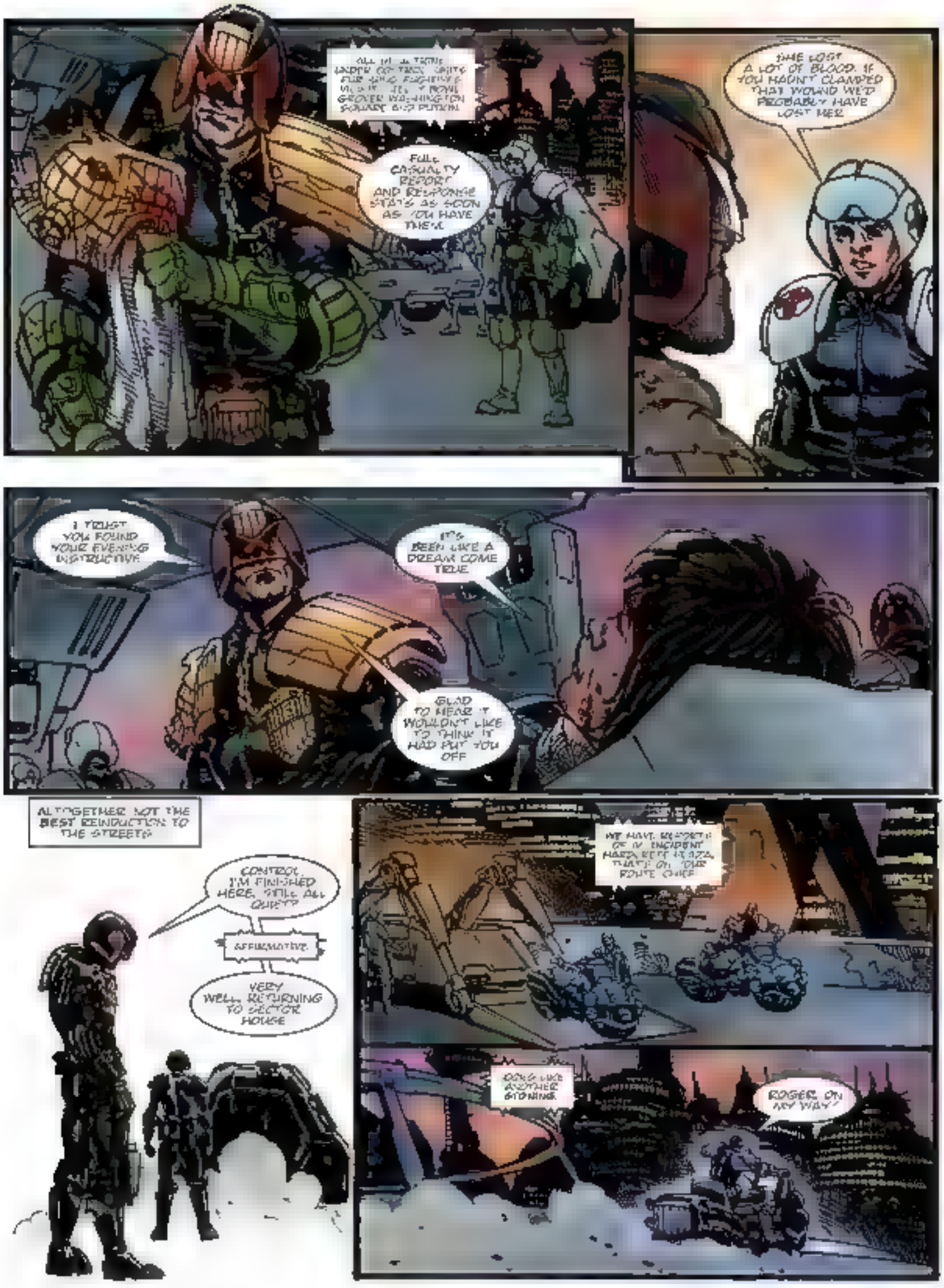
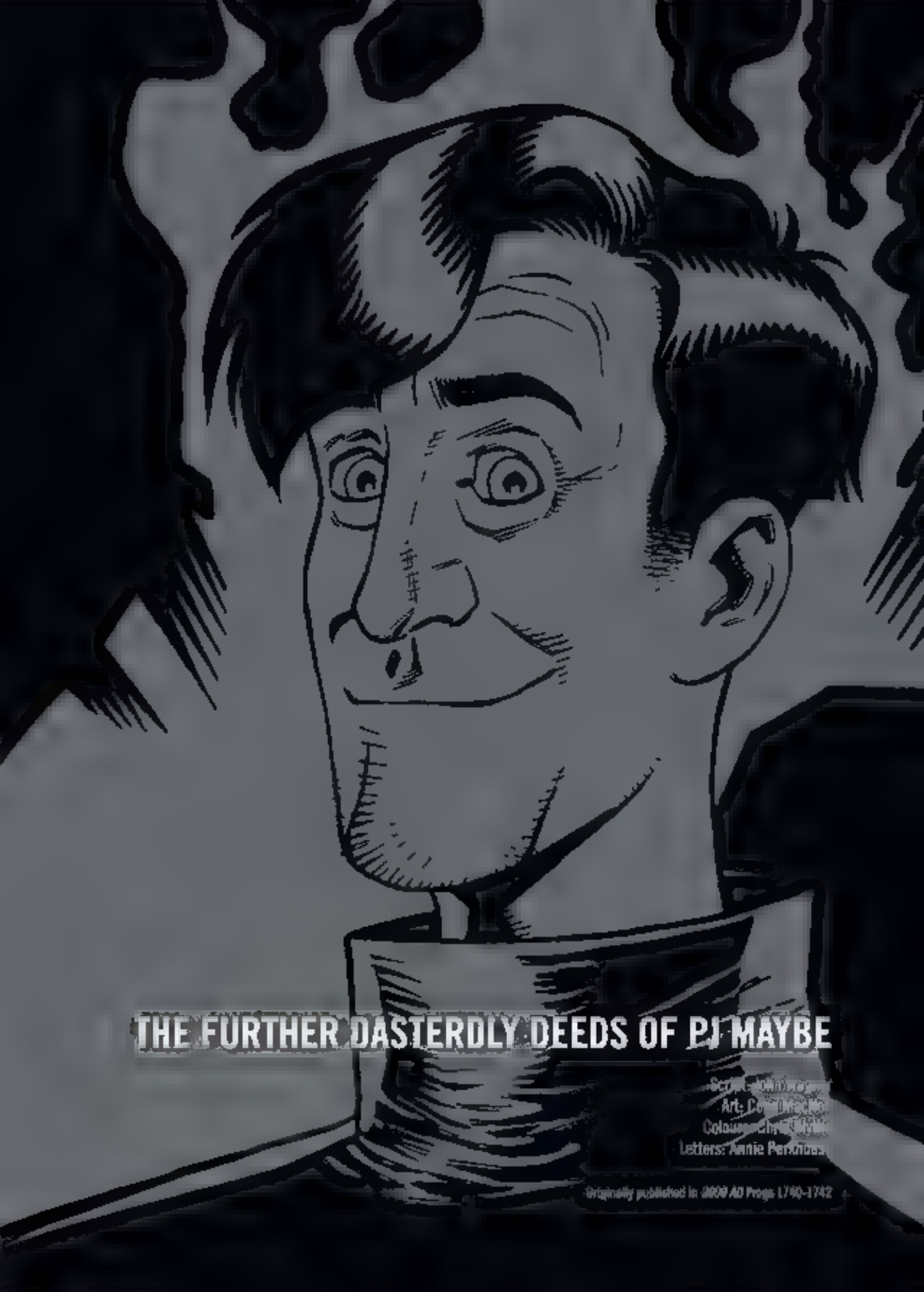

ALL OF ALPHA SECTOR UNITS ARE ON THEIR WAYS FOR YOUR FUGITIVE. WE'VE ALSO ALERTED GREATER WASHINGTON SQUARE AND PUTNAM
FULL CASUALTY REPORT AND RESPONSE STATS AS SOON AS YOU HAVE THEM.
SHE LOST A LOT OF BLOOD. IF YOU HADN'T CLAMPED THAT WOUND WE'D PROBABLY HAVE LOST HER.
I TRUST YOU FOUND YOUR EVENING INSTRUCTIVE.
IT'S BEEN LIKE A DREAM COME TRUE.
GLAD TO HEAR IT. WOULDN'T LIKE TO THINK IT HAD PUT YOU OFF.
ALTOGETHER NOT THE BEST REINDUCTION TO THE STREETS.
CONTROL, I'M FINISHED HERE. STILL ALL QUIET?
AFFIRMATIVE.
VERY WELL. RETURNING TO SECTOR HOUSE.
WE HAVE REPORTS OF AN INCIPIENT RIOT AT ITA, THAT'S ON YOUR ROUTE, CHIEF.
LOOKS LIKE ANOTHER BEATING.
ROGER. ON MY WAY.



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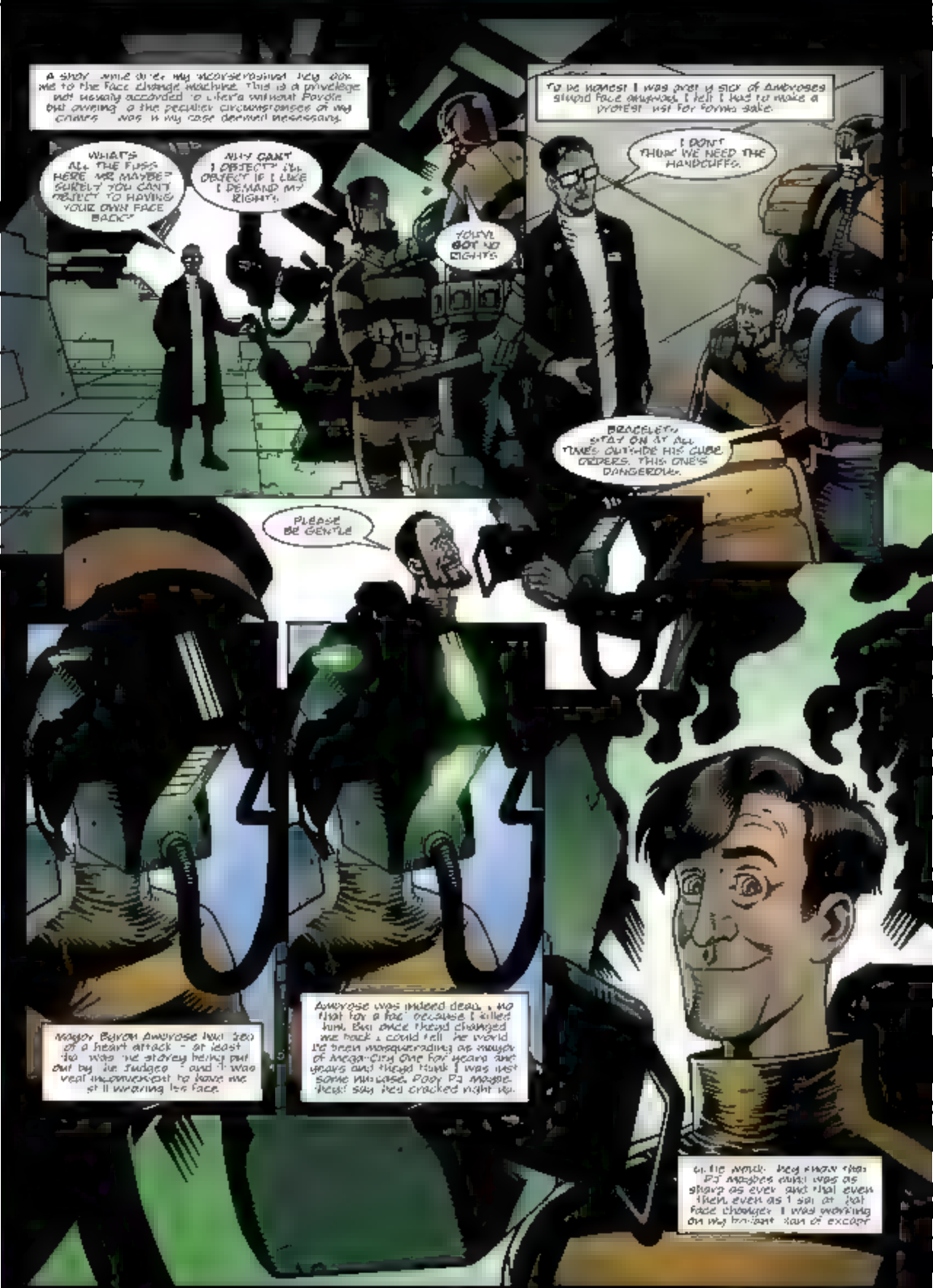
SO-BLOCK 4
YOU CAN'T DO THIS TO ME! I'M MAJOR BYRON AMBROSE AND I'M BEING HELD AGAINST MY WILL! I'VE DONE NOTHING. I'M INNOCENT! WON'T SOMEBODY HELP ME?
KEEP IT UP PJ. NOBODY'S LISTENING
MOVE ALONG


A short while later my accessories and I are escorted to the face change machine. This is a privilege not usually accorded to aliens without Psycle but owing to the peculiar circumstances of my crimes, was in my case deemed necessary.
WHAT'S ALL THE FUSS HERE MR MAYBE? SURELY YOU CAN'T OBJECT TO HAVING YOUR OWN FACE BACK?
WHY CAN'T I OBJECT? I'LL OBJECT IF I LIKE! I DEMAND MY RIGHTS!
YOU'VE GOT NO RIGHTS.
To be honest I was past a stir of Amerose's stupid face anymore, I felt I had to make a protest just for form's sake.
I DON'T THINK WE NEED THE HANDCUFFS.
BRACELETS STAY ON AT ALL TIMES OUTSIDE HIS CUBE, DEPERS. THIS ONE'S DANGEROUS.
PLEASE BE GENTLE
Major Byron Amerose had died of a heart attack - or at least that was the story being put out by the Judges - and it was very inconvenient to have me still wearing his face.
Amerose was indeed dead, no that for a fact because I killed him. But once they'd changed me back, could tell the world I'd been masquerading as mayor of Mega-City One for years and they'd think I was just some nut case. Poor PJ Maybe. They'd say he cracked right up.
While we're at it they know that PJ Maybes mind was as sharp as ever and that even then, even as I sat at that face changer I was working on my brilliant plan of escape

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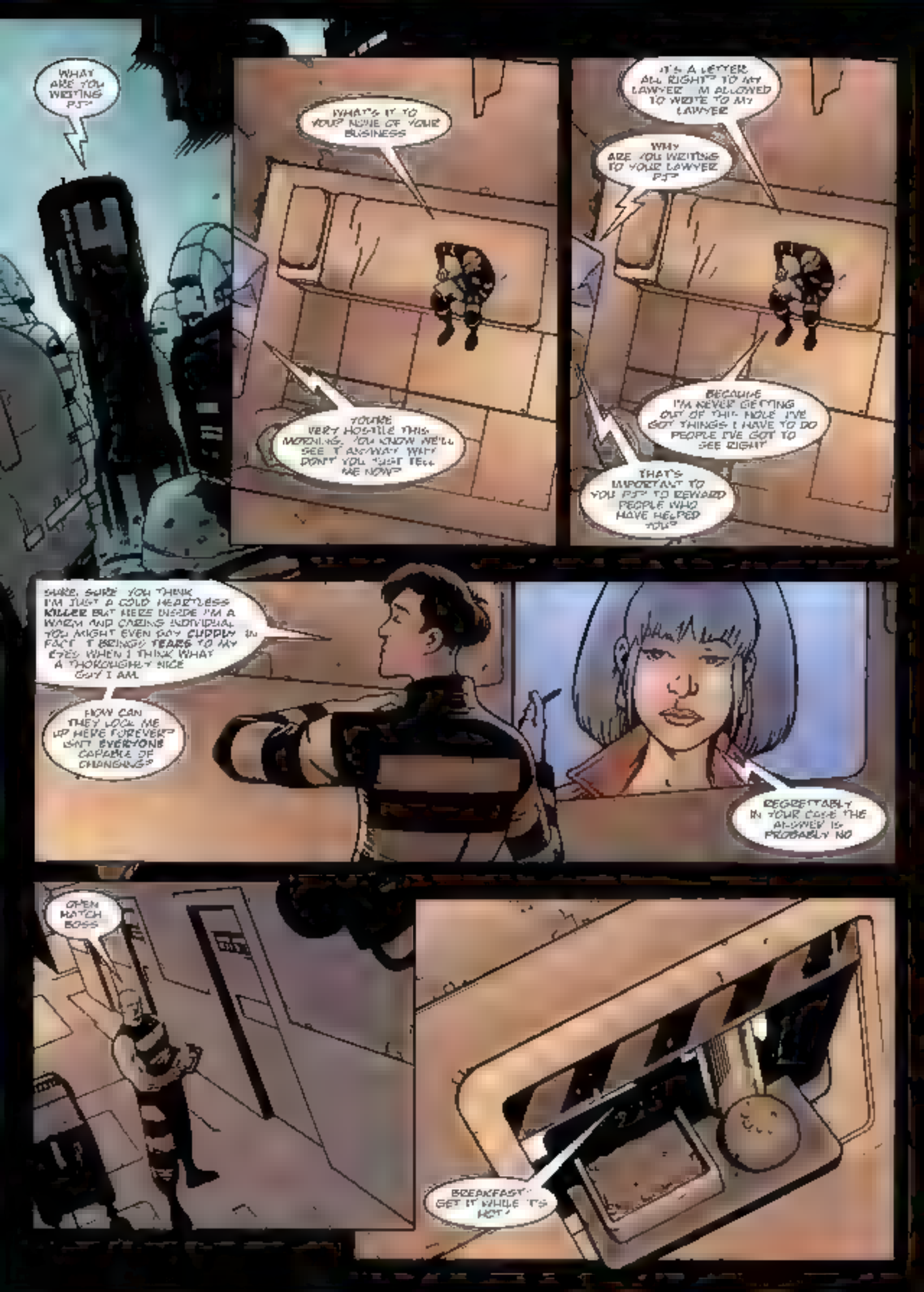
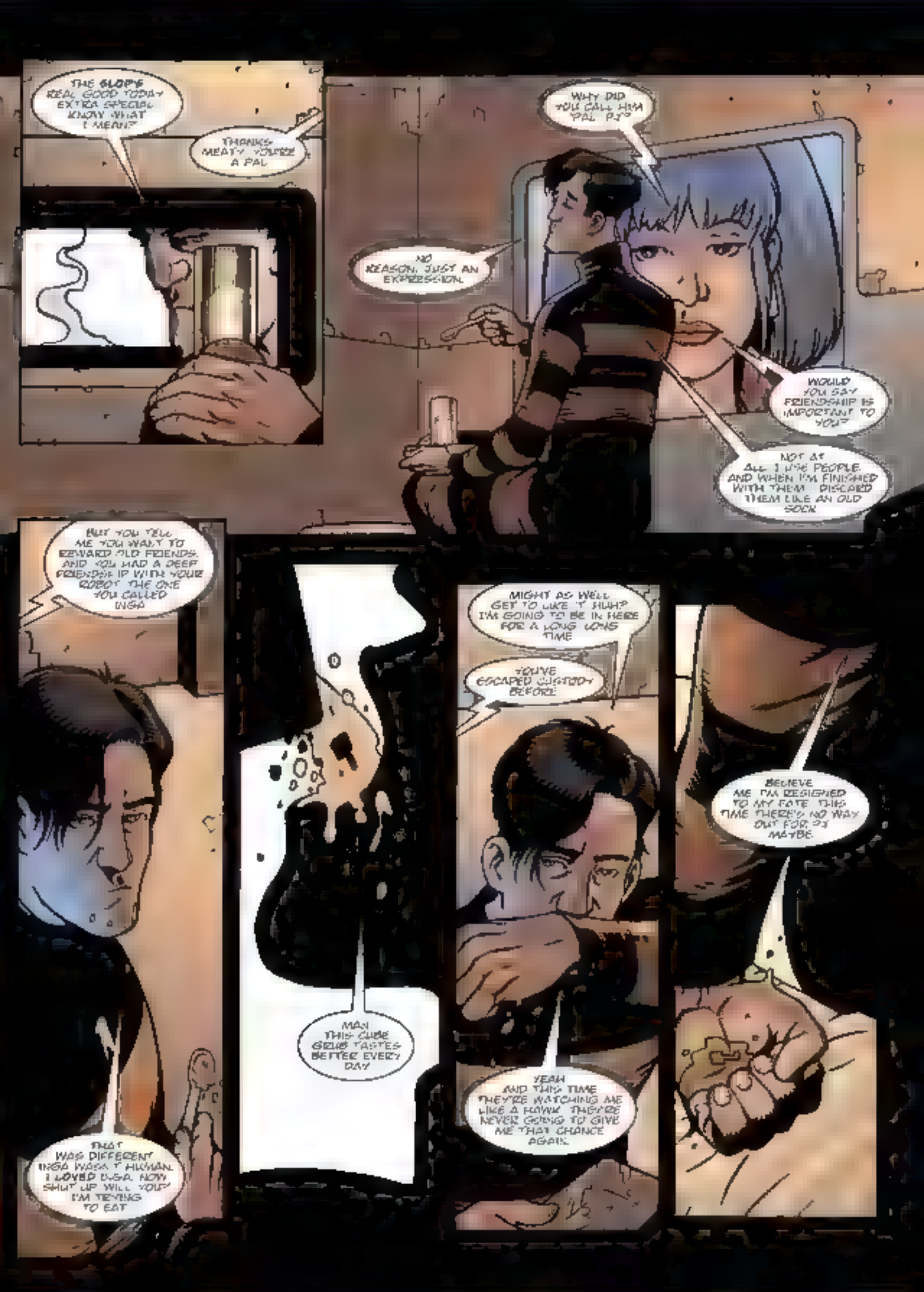
GRAND HALL OF JUSTICE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF FIVE
NEXT YEAR PHILIP JANET MAYBE
NOW THAT A FACE CHANGE HAS BEEN EFFECTED IN THE PRISONER THE PROPOSAL IS TO BE OPEN ISO-BLOCK 4 FOR OTHER INMATES COMMENTS? OBJECTIONS?
THE FACE CHANGE TOO?
INDEED. HE'S BEEN RETURNED TO HIS NORMAL APPEARANCE
I'LL SECOND THAT
WE CAN DO WITH THE ADDED CUBE SPACE THAT'S FOR SURE
DREDD?
YOU ALL KNOW MY OPINION IF MAYBE HAD BEEN EXECUTED LIKE HE SHOULD HAVE BEEN THE QUESTION WOULDN'T ARISE.
WE'VE TALKED ALL THIS THROUGH THE DECISIONS BEEN MADE
IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO CHANGE OUR MINDS. IF NONE OF YOU HAVE THE INCLINATION I'M HAPPY TO GO DOWN THERE RIGHT NOW AND CARRY OUT SENTENCE
YOU KNOW THE SHRINKS ARE RUNNING A FIVE-YEAR STUDY ON HIM.
THEY'RE TRYING TO DISCOVER WHAT MAKES A COLD-BLOODED KILLER LIKE HIM TICK. THEY INTERVIEW HIM EVERY DAY. THINK THAT'S IMPORTANT
THEY WANT TO KNOW WHAT MAKES HIM TICK? JUST LOOK AT THE CASE NOTES. PLENTY OF ENLIGHTENMENT THERE PLENTY OF BODIES TOO.
AS LONG AS PJ MAYBE IS ALIVE HE REMAINS A SERIOUS DANGER TO THE PEOPLE OF THIS CITY
ISO-BLOCK 4 IS MAXIMUM SECURITY THERE'S NO POSSIBILITY OF ESCAPE. I REALLY DON'T SEE YOUR WORRY DREDD
WE STILL HAVE TWELVE TEAMS HERE
LET HIM GO.
FINE. I'LL LEAVE IT TO YOU THEN. DON'T COME CRYING TO ME WHEN IT BLOWS UP IN YOUR FACES.
IF THERE'S NO FURTHER BUSINESS I'LL GET BACK ON THE STREETS.
YOU CAN SEE HE HATES EVERY MINUTE OF THIS
WE'LL PROBABLY GET THINGS DONE MORE QUICKLY WITHOUT HIM.


WHAT ARE YOU WRITING PJ?
WHAT'S IT TO YOU? NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS
YOU'RE VERY HOSTILE THIS MORNING. YOU KNOW WE'LL SEE T ANYWAY. WHY DON'T YOU JUST TELL ME NOW?
IT'S A LETTER ALL RIGHT? TO MY LAWYER I'M ALLOWED TO WRITE TO MY LAWYER
WHY ARE YOU WRITING TO YOUR LAWYER PJ?
BECAUSE I'M NEVER GETTING OUT OF THIS HOLE I'VE GOT THINGS I HAVE TO DO PEOPLE I'VE GOT TO SEE RIGHT
THAT'S IMPORTANT TO YOU PJ? TO REWARD PEOPLE WHO HAVE HELPED YOU?
SURE, SURE YOU THINK I'M JUST A COLD HEARTLESS KILLER BUT HERE INSIDE I'M A WARM AND CARING INDIVIDUAL YOU MIGHT EVEN SAY CUDDLY IN FACT T BRINGS TEARS TO MY EYES WHEN I THINK WHAT A THOROUGHLY NICE GUY I AM.
HOW CAN THEY LOCK ME UP HERE FOREVER? ISN'T EVERYONE CAPABLE OF CHANGING?
REGRETTABLY IN YOUR CASE THE ANSWER IS PROBABLY NO
OPEN HATCH BOSS
BREAKFAST GET IT WHILE IT'S HOT!


THE SLOP'S REAL GOOD TODAY EXTRA SPECIAL KNOW WHAT I MEAN?
THANKS MEATY YOU'RE A PAL
WHY DID YOU CALL HIM "PAL" ?
NO REASON, JUST AN EXPRESSION.
WOULD YOU SAY FRIENDSHIP IS IMPORTANT TO YOU?
NOT AT ALL I USE PEOPLE AND WHEN I'M FINISHED WITH THEM DISCARD THEM LIKE AN OLD SOCK
BUT YOU TELL ME YOU WANT TO REWARD OLD FRIENDS, AND YOU HAD A DEEP FRIENDSHIP WITH YOUR ROBOT THE ONE YOU CALLED INGA
MAN THIS CUBE GRUB TASTES BETTER EVERY DAY
MIGHT AS WELL GET TO LIKE IT HUH? I'M GOING TO BE IN HERE FOR A LONG LONG TIME
YOU'VE ESCAPED CUSTODY BEFORE
BELIEVE ME I'M RESIGNED TO MY FATE THIS TIME THERE'S NO WAY OUT FOR ME MAYBE
THAT WAS DIFFERENT INGA WAS A HUMAN I LOVED INGA NOW SHUT UP WILL YOU? I'M TRYING TO EAT
YEAH AND THIS TIME THEY'RE WATCHING ME LIKE A HAWK THEY'RE NEVER GOING TO GIVE ME THAT CHANCE AGAIN

BUENOS DIAS SENOR FONZO.
DON EMILIO"
BY THE POOL, SENOR. HE IS EXPECTING YOU.
ISO-BLOCK 4
Dear Senor Fonzo.
My name is PJ Maybe. You may have herd of me as I am a notorious murderer whos name is feared the world over. But you will No me better as Don Pedro Montez an identity I used for several years. Please mensh um me to our mutual friend Don Emilio. I hope that wasteful growth on his left buttok isn't still giving him trouble.
As circumstances now find me occupying a cube in ISO-block 4 with no hope of release. I have decided to put my affairs in order. To that end I would be greatful if you would do me the courtesy of coming to see me
GO?
IT IS HERE. I CAME THIS MORNING.
YOU THINK IT'S HIM?
HE KNOWS YOU WORK FOR ME AND HE KNOWS ABOUT THE GRONTIL THAT'S PRIVILEGED INFORMATION, MONTEZ SAW IT ONCE WHEN WE WERE... PLEASURING OURSELVES.
NO INCINUATIONS FONZO WAS WRETCHING WITH SOME NUNS THAT'S ALL
SI, SENOR.
SO, PJ MAYBE, MADRE DIOS! I ALWAYS KNEW THERE WAS SOMETHING ABOUT MONTEZ. CUNNING DEVIL
WHAT SHALL I DO, DON EMILIO?
I'LL ALWAYS BE IN HIS DEBT AFTER THAT BUSINESS IN ISO HE KNOWS THAT AND DON EMILIO LOPEZ HIDALGO IS A MAN OF HONOUR. IF I CAN HELP I WILL
GO AND SEE HIM, SEE WHAT HE WANTS. HE'S UP TO SOMETHING FONZO MARK MY WORDS. CUNNING DEVIL.

I USED TO HAVE THE WHOLE BLOCK TO MYSELF.
WHEN THEY CHANGED MY FACE BACK THEY LET THE OTHER CRIME IN. NOW IF I WAS TO TELL THEM I WAS MAYOR AMBROSE THEY'D JUST THINK I WAS MAD
YOU DON'T THINK I'M MAD DO YOU, SENOR FONZO?
I THINK YOU ARE A VERY EXTRAORDINARY MAN SENOR MAYBE SUCH A SHAME THAT YOU WILL NEVER KNOW FREEDOM AGAIN. NEVER FEEL THE WIND ON YOUR FACE. OR HEAR A BIRD SING.
NO NEVER KNOW FREEDOM.
IT WOULD TAKE A FULL FRONTAL ASSAULT WITH HEAVY ATTACK DROIDS.
AND EVEN THEN IT WOULD ONLY BE A DIVERSION.
WHAT DO YOU THINK OF MY FACE CHANGE? MY NOSE IS A LITTLE TOO LONG.
I LOOKS A PERFECTLY GOOD NOSE TO ME SENOR
I HAVE AN APPOINTMENT TO HAVE IT CHANGED THREE WEEKS ON MONDAY AT TWO O'CLOCK. THAT'S A DATE TO REMEMBER
YOU WILL REMEMBER, WON'T YOU, SENOR FONZO?
SI. SI SENOR I WILL NOT FORGET
AND NOW THESE AFFAIRS YOU WISH PLACED IN ORDER..
I'D LIKE A SMALL GIFT I'M SURE DON EMILIO WILL ARRANGE IT TO GO TO THE WIFE OF AN INMATE. TEN THOUSAND CREDITS TO HELP WITH HER MED BILLS. HER NAME'S MEAT MRS ELVIRA MEAT. SHE LIVES IN ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER
THAT IS MOST CONSIDERATE OF YOU SENOR. YOU ARE CLEARLY NOT THE EVIL MONSTER YOU ARE PAINTED. I'M SURE DON EMILIO WILL BE MOST OBLIGING IN EVERY RESPECT

HE'S REQUESTING AN ASSAULT ON THE ISO-BLOCK THE NINTH OF NEXT MONTH. AT TWO O'CLOCK
WHAT TEMERITY WHAT AN OPERATOR YOU HAVE TO ADMIRE HIM. FONZO. THE MAN NEVER GIVES UP
WHAT'S HE PLANNING. WONDER?
I SAY DON'T DO IT DON EMILIO IT'S TOO RISKY YOU DON'T NEED THIS MAN. HE IS IN NO POSITION TO HURT YOU.
YES YES BUT THERE IS OBLIGATION FONZO AND I AM INTRIGUED TO SEE WHAT HE WILL DO
HAVE NO FEAR THERE IS NO NEED TO SHOW MY HAND IN T
THE HOVERPORTER CAME OVERHEAD AT 14:11. THE GUARD TOWER FIRED WARNING SHOTS AND WHEN IT CONTINUED TO DESCEND DIRECTED FIRE AT THE VEHICLE
WHERE WAS MAYBE AT THIS TIME?

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ME MAYBE, DO COME IN.
I'VE RE-CHECKED ALL OUR REFERENCE AND I MUST SAY THE NOSE LOOKS QUITE IN PROPORTION TO THE FACE
JUST SEEMS A LITTLE TOO BIG TO ME, DOC. IT'S REALLY GETTING ME DOWN.
VERY WELL ME MAYBE AS YOU LIKE. CAN'T HAVE DISAPPOINTED CUSTOMERS.
WOULD YOU SAY ABOUT THAT MUCH?
THAT WILL DO NICELY.
MAYBE # 1
YOU SEEM RATHER NERVOUS, ME MAYBE. SURELY OUR FACE CHANGE MACHINE ISN'T WORRYING YOU?
WELL YOU KNOW YOU CAN NEVER BE SURE WITH THESE THINGS.
RELAX. NEVER LOSE A PATIENT.
HMM. THEY WERE RIGHT - IF THEY WERE COMING AT ALL.
WE'LL JUST GET HER WARMED UP. SEND THE DETAILS OVER FROM THE HOLOGROMITER.
WHAT'S UP WITH YOU, MAYBE?
HOLY CREMOLA WHAT'S GOING ON OUT THERE?
IT'S NOT REGENERATING! BRING IT DOWN!

'FIRE FROM THE GUARD TOWER BROUGHT THE HOVERPORTER DOWN, BUT COULD NOT PREVENT IT UNLOADING.
THAT'S THE GENERAL ALERT.
WE CAN'T LEAVE MAYBE
HE'S UNDER RESTRAINT. HE CAN'T COME TO ANY HARM. GO. I'LL BE PERFECTLY ALL RIGHT HERE.
ARROOGAH HARROOGAH HARROOGA

THOSE ARE BELL AND WARREN MARK 4 COMBAT DROIDS. NOT EASY TO GET WITHOUT PROPER AUTHORISATION.
WE'RE LOOKING INTO IT
AND FIND OUT WHERE THE HOVERPOUTER CAME FROM.
YES SIR, WE'RE DOING THAT SIR.
SORRY. REMORSE THIS IS ALL SECOND NATURE TO YOU, HOOPER. I'M JUST A LITTLE DISAPPOINTED THIS SHOULD HAVE HAPPENED IN THE FIRST PLACE
YES SIR. BIT OF A FOUL-UP
BOOM
GOODNESS. 'TIS A WARZONE OUT THERE

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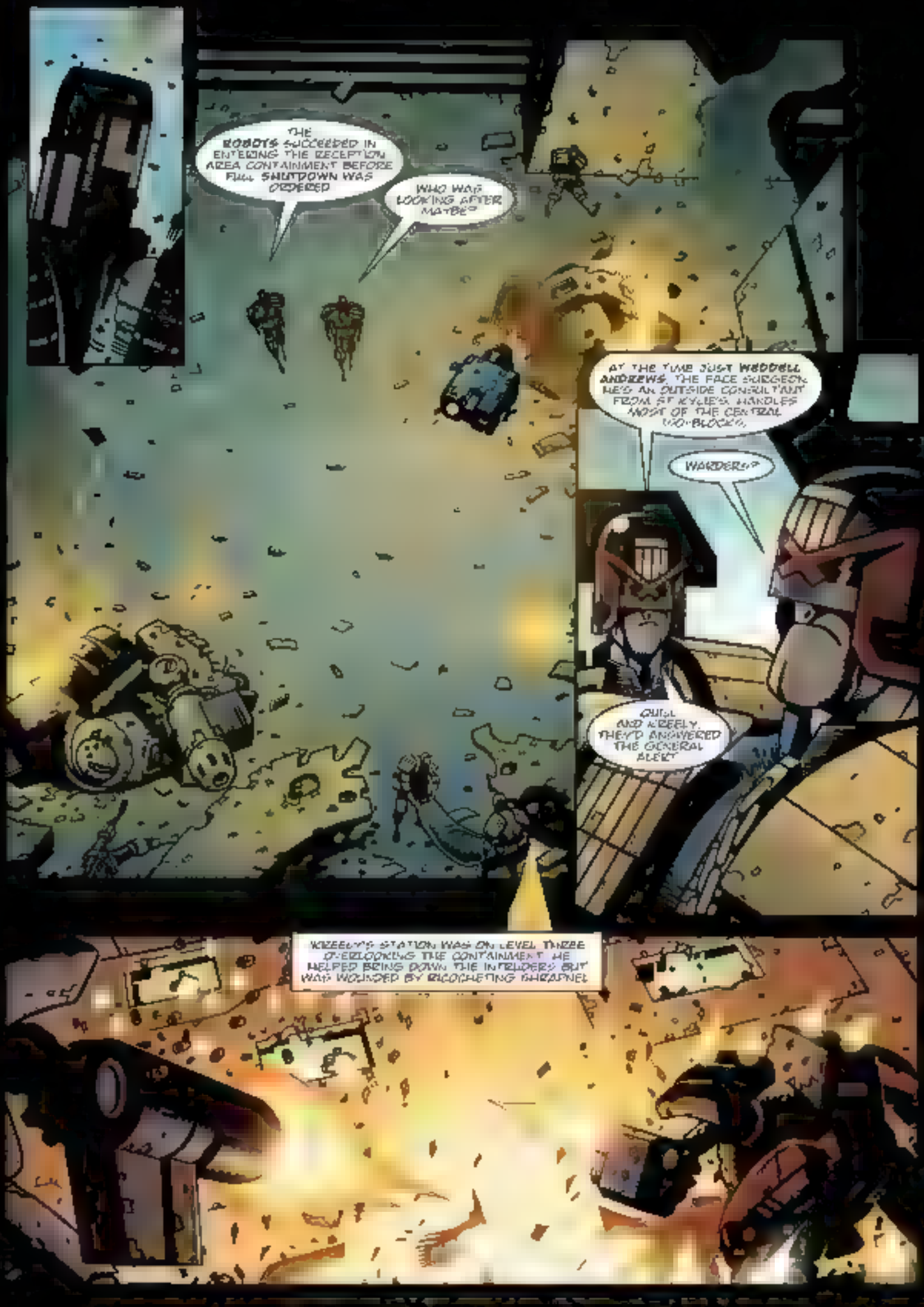
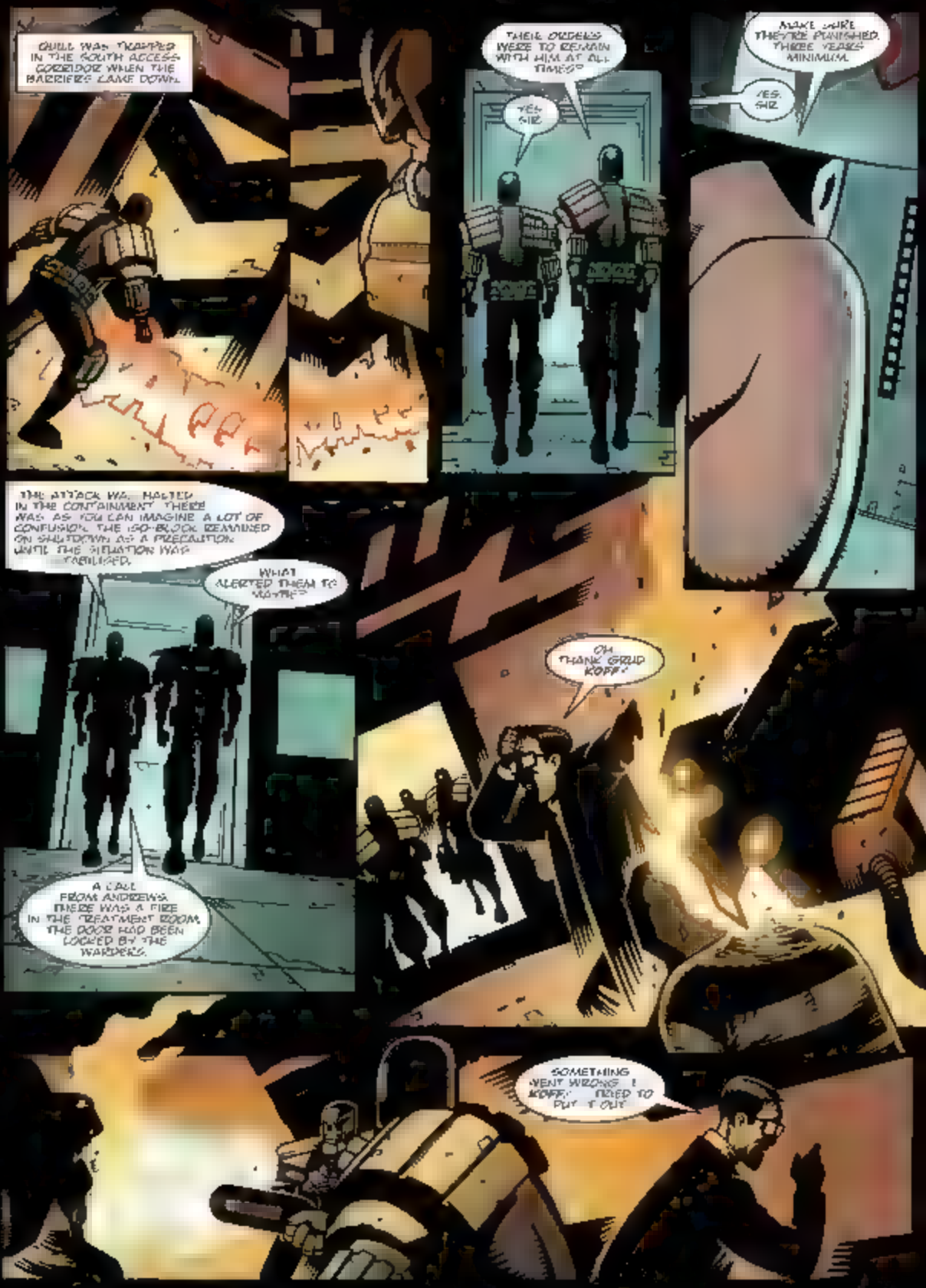
THEY'RE FIRING MISSILES! OH MY
THEY MUST WANT SOMEONE OUT VERY BAD! - ME MAYBE WHAT THE DEVIL ARE YOU UP TO?
DAMNED KE COME ON COME OWNNN!
SMACK!
ME MAYBE DESIST I SAY
THUNK!
WHAM!


THE ROBOTS SUCCEEDED IN ENTERING THE RECEPTION AREA CONTAINMENT BEFORE FULL SHUTDOWN WAS ORDERED
WHO WAS LOOKING AFTER MATBE?
AT THE TIME JUST WEDDELL ANDREWS, THE FACE SURGEON. HE'S AN OUTSIDE CONSULTANT FROM ST KYLE'S. HANDLES MOST OF THE CENTRAL NO-BLOCK'S.
WARDER'S?
QUICK AND KREELY THEY'D ANSWERED THE GENERAL ALERT
KREELY'S STATION WAS ON LEVEL THREE OVERLOOKING THE CONTAINMENT HE HELPED BRING DOWN THE INTRUDERS BUT WAS WOUNDED BY RICOCHETING SHRAPNEL


QUILL WAS TRAPPED IN THE SOUTH ACCESS CORRIDOR WHEN THE BARRIERS CAME DOWN.
THEIR ORDERS WERE TO REMAIN WITH HIM AT ALL TIMES?
YES, SIR.
MAKE SURE THEY'RE PUNISHED. THREE YEARS MINIMUM.
YES, SIR.
THE ATTACK WAS HALTED IN THE CONTAINMENT THERE WAS, AS YOU CAN IMAGINE A LOT OF CONFUSION. THE ISO-BLOCK REMAINED ON SHUTDOWN AS A PRECAUTION UNTIL THE SITUATION WAS CLARIFIED.
WHAT ALERTED THEM TO MAYHEM?
A CALL FROM ANDREWS. THERE WAS A FIRE IN THE TREATMENT ROOM. THE DOOR HAD BEEN LOCKED BY THE WARDERS.
OH THANK GRUD KOFF!
SOMETHING WENT WRONG! KOFF... NEED TO PUT IT OUT

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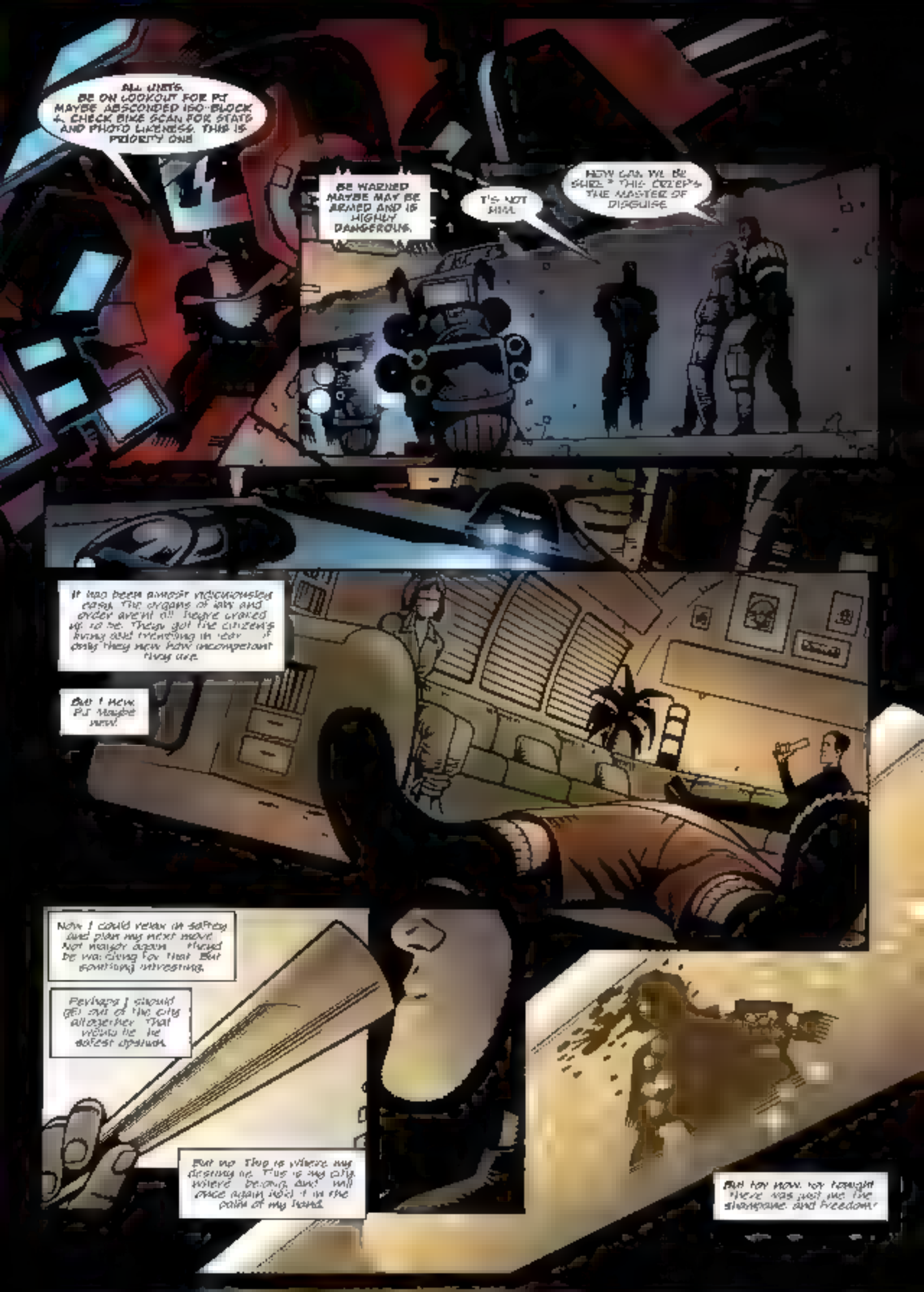
HE'S DEAD.
OH NO WHAT'VE I DONE? WHAT'VE I DONE? KOFF KOFF!
DON'T BLAME YOURSELF BEST THING THAT COULD HAVE HAPPENED TO PJ MAYBE
YOU ALL RIGHT?
KOFF KOFF KOFF!
GET A MEDIC
NO! KOFF KOFF. C-CALL AN AMBULANCE! GET ME.. GET ME KOFF! TO ST KYLIE'S THEY HAVE FACILITIES TO DO A - KOFF! - FULL PULMONARY WASH -
OKAY CALL A MED-WAGON
SO ANDREWS WAS TAKEN TO THE HOSPITAL WHEN DID THEY REALISE THEY'D MADE A MISTAKE?
FORENSICS DIDN'T GET ROUND TO CHECKING THE BODY UNTIL A COUPLE OF HOURS LATER.
AND THEY DISCOVERED THE DNA BELONGED TO NEDDEL ANDREWS THAT THEY'D SENT PJ MAYBE TO ST KYLIE'S.
WE IMMEDIATELY SENT UNITS TO THE HOSPITAL BUT MAYBE WAS OF COURSE NOWHERE TO BE FOUND.
THE MACHINE WAS ALREADY PROGRAMMED WITH MAYBE'S FEATURES SO DOCTORING ANDREWS' WOULD HAVE BEEN A SIMPLE MATTER ALTERING MAYBE'S OWN FACE WOULD HAVE BEEN MORE DIFFICULT
I DOUBT HE BOTHERED.
SAME BULLD SOOT HIDING HIS FACE.
A QUICK SHAVE OF THE HEAD WOULD HAVE BEEN ENOUGH.
SEE WHAT YOU MEAN.
THE SOOT COULD HAVE BEEN MAKE-UP ANY NUMBER OF CHEMICALS HERE TO START A FIRE WITH. AND MAYBE'S AN EXCELLENT MIMIC.

ER
ST SYLVIES
NOW I HAD A FEW SOME DISTANCE IN BEFORE THE ALARM WENT UP.
BASSETT AND ZORNE WOULD HAVE SHOWN UP ANY MINUTE NOW.
YXM
LGA
PATZA PIZZA
THUGS FIND THE SCOOTER WHEREVER I LEFT IT, I HAD A DISAPPEAR WITHOUT A TRACE. IT WASN'T GOING TO BE EASY.
PARDON ME SIR BUT COULD YOU DIRECT US BACK ONTO THE CROSSTOWN SKEE?
AS A MATTER OF FACT I'M HEADING THAT WAY MYSELF. WHY DON'T I HOP ON AND SHOW YOU?

IT WOULD TAKE A FULL FRONTAL ASSAULT W/ HEAVY ATTACK DOGGIES AND EVEN THEN IT WOULD STILL BE A DIVERSION!
SOMEONE ACTUALLY WATCHED THIS?
IT'S MARKED AS CHECKED AND APPROVED.
THERE'S VISITING DAY AT TWO O'CLOCK. THAT'S A DATE TO MARK HERE. YOU WILL PLAY YOUR PART, MR. SHORT FUSE!
THAT DIDN'T MAKE THEM SUSPICIOUS?
SIR, SIR, SINCE I WILL NOT FORGET
I'D LIKE A SMALL GIFT... I'M SURE DON EMILIO WILL ARRANGE IT... TO GO TO THE WIFE OF AN INMATE. PEN, NOTEPAD, TEETH, TO BE FILLED WITH HER OWN BLOOD. HERE'S THE MEAT. MAKE FLUFFER MEAT. WE LOVE U, ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER
THAT IS WHAT CONSTITUTES OF YOU SENOR. YOU SEE... THEY'RE NOT THE EVIL MONSTERS YOU SEE PAINTED. W. HURT DON EMILIO WILL BE MOST OBLIGED IF I VERY BY VALT
WHO'S THE INMATE HERE?
CLAUDE MEAT AKA MEATY MCFLY INTO A NINE STRETCH FOR FORGERY. I HAVE HIM ISOLATED FOR QUESTIONING.
NO DOUBT HE PERFORMED SOME SERVICE A FORGER... DOCUMENTS, PERHAPS.
HE HAD ACCESS TO THE MACHINE SHOP, I THOUGHT PERHAPS A KEY TO THE MANACLES. WE DON'T KNOW HOW MAYBE DID THAT
THAT'S POSSIBLE. WHAT A FOUL-UP!
CARRY ON HERE HOOPER. LOOK INTO THIS DON EMILIO AND HIS HENCHMAN FONZO. HAVE A FULL DOSSIER ON MY DESK BY THE MORNING. I'M GOING TO HAVE A WORD WITH THE WARDEN ABOUT STANDARDS AT THIS ISO-BLOCK
WE'VE GOT AN ALL-UNITS OUT ON HIM. SIR. WE COULD GET LUCKY
HOOPER


ALL UNITS. BE ON LOOKOUT FOR PJ MAYBE ABSCONDED ISO-BLOCK 4. CHECK BIKE SCAN FOR STATS AND PHOTO LIKENESS. THIS IS PRIORITY ONE
BE WARNED MAYBE MAY BE ARMED AND IS HIGHLY DANGEROUS.
IT'S NOT HIM.
HOW CAN WE BE SURE? THIS CREEP'S THE MASTER OF DISGUISE
It had been almost ridiculously easy. The organs of law and order aren't all they've cracked up to be. They've got the citizen's army and technology in spades if only they knew how incompetent they are.
But I knew PJ Maybe knew.
Now I could relax in safety and plan my next move. Not really again. Would be wise giving for that. Bet something interesting.
Perhaps I should get out of the city altogether. That would be the safest option.
But no. This is where my destiny is. This is my city. Where belongs and I will face again and it in the palm of my hand.
But for now, for tonight there was just me, the silhouette and freedom.

NADIA

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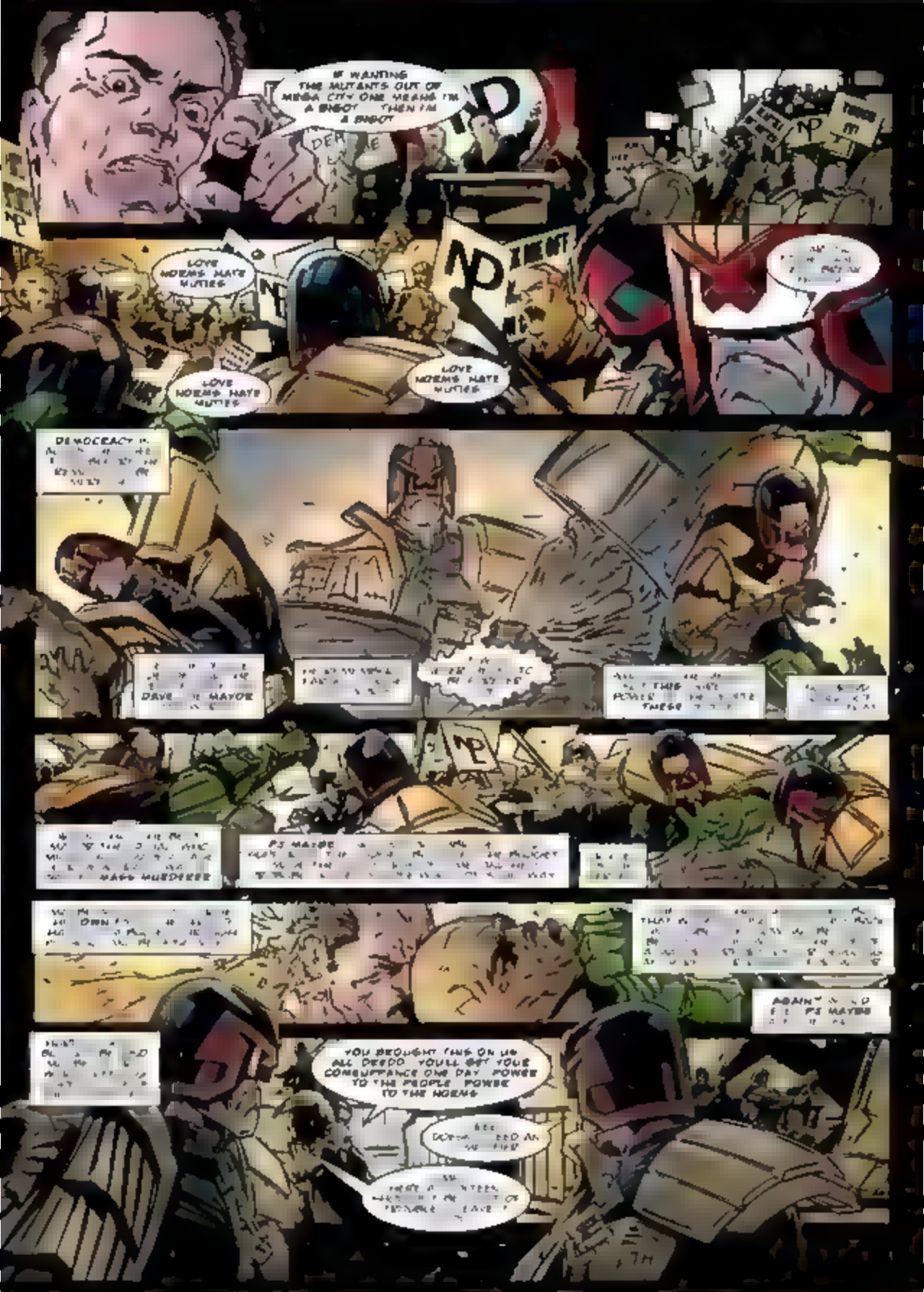
WHAT'S THE POINT? I MEAN, WHAT'S THE POINT?
I'M TALKING ABOUT THE ELECTION. A NEW MAYOR FOR ALL THE DIFFERENCE IT'S GOING TO MAKE.
I MEAN, DOESN'T MATTER WHO YOU VOTE FOR, YOU'RE GONNA GET SOME BUM - SOME SELF-SERVING TEENWAD OUT TO ROB THE CITY BLIND. THEY'RE ALL THE SAME BELIEVE ME.
THAT'S WHY WE'RE SAYING DON'T VOTE ON ELECTION DAY. SHOW THOSE PREENING PARASITES YOU DON'T GIVE A HOOT.
DON'T VOTE
AH - WHY AM I WASTING MY BREATH? DO WHAT YOU WANT ! DON'T CARE.
DUNNO WHY I'M EVEN DOING THIS. I MEAN, FOR ALL THE GOOD IT'S GONNA DO I COULD HAVE STAYED IN BED.
AND IT'S NOT JUST THIS ELECTION, IT'S EVERYTHING. KNOW WHAT I'M SAYING? NOTHING MATTERS. NOT YOU, NOT ME, NOT A THING IN OUR INSIGNIFICANT LITTLE LIVES.
I MEAN, WHAT ARE WE IN THE GREAT COSMIC SCHEME OF THINGS? SPECKS OF DUST. MICROBES. ALL OUR POLITICKING, ALL OUR PUFFED-UP PRETENSION, AND LOOK AT US - AMOEBAS PLAYING AT GIANTS.
IT'S SO PATHETIC I'D LAUGH..
IF I COULD BE BOTHERED
ELECTORAL BROADCAST ON BEHALF OF
APATHY
THE PARTY THAT COULDN'T CARE LESS
THANK YOU FOR LISTENING

MEETING CHIEF JUDGE FRANCISCO AND THE COUNCIL OF FIVE.
SO WE'RE AGREED FISCAL DEMANDS REQUIRE A TAX ON THE UNBORN.
ABSENT, JUDGE DREDD.
WHO'S YOUR LOOK INTO WAYS AND MEANS?
GOOD. NEXT ITEM. PSI-DIVISION'S ANNUAL PROJECTIONS. A QUIET YEAR NO SHOCKS OR SURPRISES APPARENTLY.
COMMENTS?
CERTAINLY. I'VE ALREADY WORKED UP SOME PRELIMINARY FIGURES. I'LL HAVE THEM ON YOUR DESK THIS AFTERNOON.
I'LL BELIEVE THAT WHEN IT HAPPENS.
PSI-DIVISION'S RECORD OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS HAS HARDLY SET THE SLAB ON FIRE.
WHAT ABOUT THIS CADET AT THE ACADEMY - PREDICTING DEATH, BOOT DESTRUCTION ON ELECTION DAY?
HENNESSY CHIEF JUDGE EIGHTH YEAR LOW GRADE STUDENT MINOR TELEPATHIC ABILITIES. AVERAGE IS FIFTY-EIGHT POINT FOUR PER CENT
THAT'S BARELY ABOVE EENY-MEENY-MINEY. NO I THINK WE CAN SAFELY DISCOUNT HER.
THAT BRINGS US NEATLY TO THE MAYORAL ELECTION.
THERE'S BEEN AMPLE TIME SINCE THE MURDER ATTEMPT ON SINFIELD. WE CAN'T PUT IT OFF ANY LONGER. IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS I'M SETTING THE DATE FOR THREE MONTHS HENCE.
BETTER TO MAKE IT THREE WEEKS. LESS DRAIN ON RESOURCES.
THIS WHOLE THING'S BEEN RUMBLING ON SINCE AMBROSE DIED


IF WANTING THE MUTANTS OUT OF MEGA CITY ONE MEANS I'M A BIGOT THEN I'M A BIGOT
LOVE NORMS HATE MUTIES
LOVE NORMS HATE MUTIES
LOVE NORMS HATE MUTIES
DEMOCRACY IS
DAVE THE MAYOR
PJ MAYOR
MASS MURDERER
YOU BROUGHT THIS ON US ALL DREDD YOU'LL GET YOUR COMEUPPANCE ONE DAY POWER TO THE PEOPLE POWER TO THE NORMS

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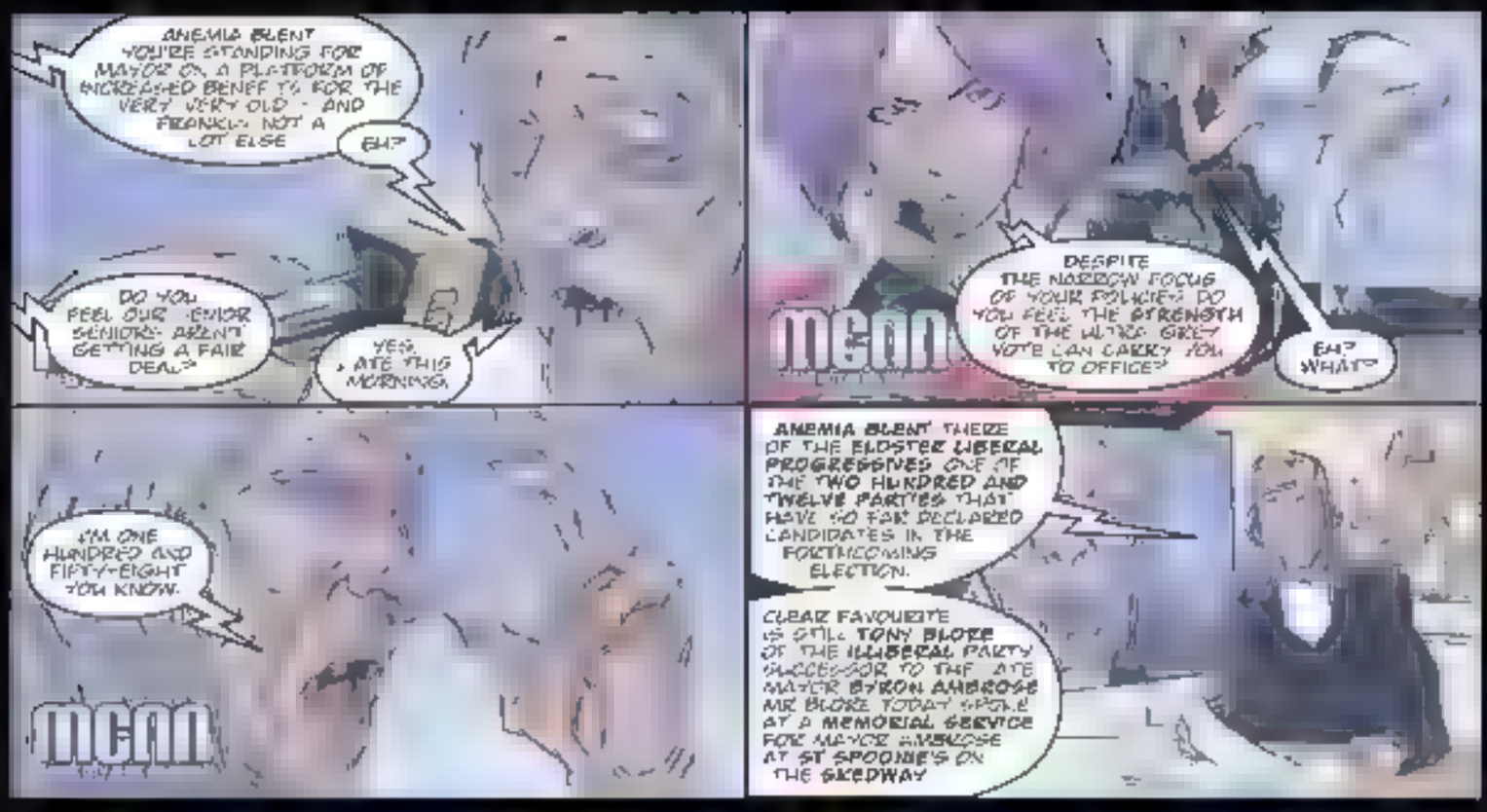
AIZA-TIC SPACEPORT
HERE ON BUSINESS, MS TORSEN?
AND PLEASURE. BUSINESS AND PLEASURE A BIT OF BOTH.
YOU'RE STAYING AT THE HIROSHIMA SECTOR 1. YOU'VE BOOKED TWO TICKETS FOR A SHOW SATURDAY NIGHT. WHO WILL BE ACCOMPANYING YOU, MS TORSEN?
I DON'T KNOW. I DON'T USUALLY HAVE TROUBLE FINDING COMPANY.
YOU'RE ATTENDING UGLY-CON. WHAT'S YOUR INTEREST IN UGLY PEOPLE MS TORSEN?
I'M IN COSMETICS. IMPORT. YOU COULD SAY I BROUGHT UGLY TO SCANDINAVIA.
I'M SURE THEY'RE GRATEFUL.
ROOM SERVICE
KNOK KNOK
I'M DAVE YOUR BELLHOP. I HOPE YOU HAD A GOOD FLIGHT. THEY SAY THOSE VOTS ARE SO QUIET YOU CAN HEAR A PIN DROP
I WAS ALL OUT OF PINS.

GOT YOU SOME COFFEE HERE
GENUINE?
NO MA'AM. IT'S NOT PERMITTED. THE TASTE IS PRETTY CLOSE THOUGH. THERE'S SOME FOOD BARS AND HERE WE HAVE -
THE BLASTER'S CLEAN AND UNTRACEABLE. SAME WITH THE COM.
ONE SET OF KEYS IS FOR A BLACK SUPER .5 IN THE HIROSHIMA POD PARK. PLATE NUMBERS ON THEM. THE SECOND SET'S FOR BUSINESS PREMISES. DEAD EASY OR SOUTHNYM. THERE'S NO SURVEILLANCE THE WHOLE BLOCK ENTER VIA THE BACK THROUGH THE PODWAY
THE OTHERS?
THEN ARRANGE A MEETING. LET'S SAY MIDNIGHT
THEY'VE BEEN NOTIFIED. SOMETHING BIG'S GOING DOWN. THEY'RE READY
WHEN ARE YOU OFF DUTY?
ELEVEN.
SHE WALKS TO THE VERGE. THE BETTER TO SOAK IN THE ESSENCE OF THIS PLACE. THE GREATEST OF THE MEGA-CITIES.
THE GREAT PARASITE.
A HUGE INNATIABLE LEECH ON THE SKIN OF THE PLANET SUCKING THE LIFEBLOOD FROM THE REST OF HUMANITY
HELLO DARLING.

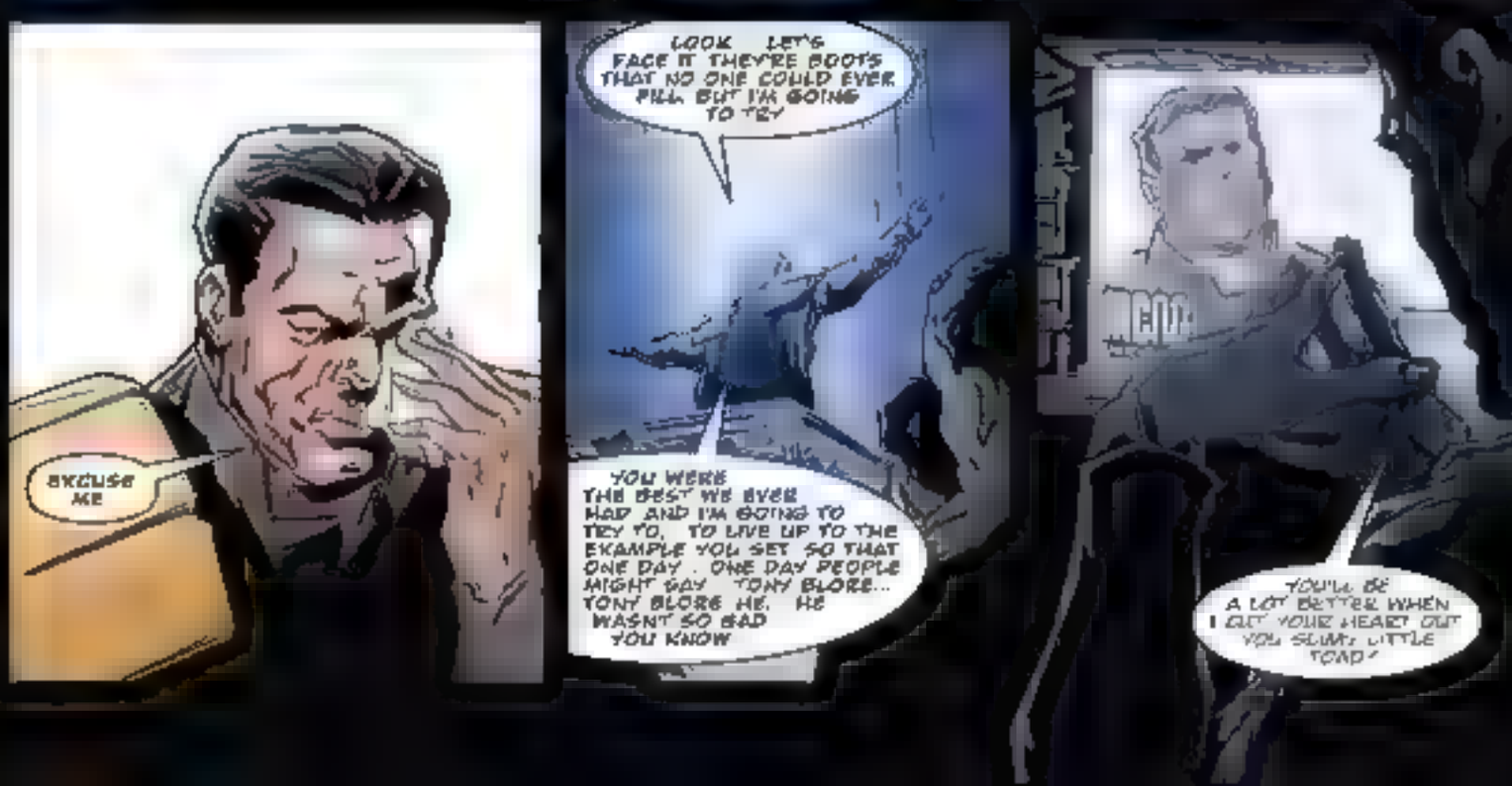
HUH?
AAAAH
KRAK
JOVIS - JEEZ - WHO THE
LET THEM CARRY ON BLIND TO WHAT IS COMING. GIVE THEM NO WARNING, ONLY WHEN IT IS TOO LATE SHOULD THEY KNOW THAT THIS
THIS IS THE EVE OF DESTRUCTION.

BOX
COMRADE NADIA
JERRY, JERRY AND KC RUN THE MEMORIAL BUSINESS IT'S A GOOD FRONT FOR OTHER ACTIVITIES
AND EVEN THROWING A PROFIT I UNDERSTAND YOU MUST HAVE A NATURAL APTITUDE.
GUESS I JUST LIKE DEAD PEOPLE. CAN'T GET ENOUGH OF THEM FROM THIS CITY
IF WE DO OUR WORK WELL THERE WILL BE MORE THAN ANYONE CAN DEAL WITH.
GALAXY SENT YOU? HOW DO WE KNOW? YOU COULD BE A PLANT
YOU KNOW SHE'S NOT A PLANT
IT IS A REASONABLE QUESTION. I PREFER EVERYONE TO BE ON THEIR GUARD
FOR THE MOMENT YOU MUST TAKE ME ON TRUST WE ARE ALL ON TRIAL - YOU WITH ME ME WITH YOU
SO WHAT'S THE PLAN?
JOHN
WHEN THE TIME IS RIGHT YOU WILL KNOW
I JUST WANT TO KNOW IF THIS IS GOING TO CAUSE A LOT OF HEAT I'D LIKE TO GET MY GIRLFRIEND CLEAR
THIS MEGA-CITY GIRL - TREENA THAT IS HER NAME, ISN'T IT?
YES
YOU CARE FOR HER JOHN?
I GUESS... SURE. YOU LIVE WITH SOMEONE YOU'D HAVE TO BE STONE NOT TO FEEL SOMETHING.
BUT TREENA DOESN'T KNOW WHO YOU ARE - WHERE YOU COME FROM?
OF COURSE NOT
YOU HAVE NEVER EVER HINTED? NEVER LET SOMETHING SLIP?
NO, I... I KNOW THE RULES.
THAT IS GOOD WE MUST NOT GET TOO CLOSE TO THESE PEOPLE. WE MUST ALL KNOW THE RULES.

ARAK
BOX - DON'T -
YOUR LOYALTY IS ADMIRABLE BUT MISPLACED THIS MAN COULD HAVE GIVEN YOU ALL AWAY - MAY ALREADY HAVE DONE
ELIMINATE THE GIRLFRIEND SEARCH HIS APARTMENT SEE THAT THERE IS NOTHING TO CONNECT HIM TO US.
WE ARE ABOUT TO SET IN MOTION A TRAIN OF EVENTS THAT WILL AT LAST PUNISH THIS CITY FOR THE CRIME - IT HAS COMMITTED.
JOHN WAS A WEAK LINK WE HAVE SUSPECTED IT FOR SOME TIME. REMEMBER WHY YOU ARE HERE. YOU CANNOT ALLOW YOUR ALLEGIANCE TO BE DIVIDED.


ANEMIA BLENT YOU'RE STANDING FOR MAYOR ON A PLATFORM OF INCREASED BENEFITS FOR THE VERY VERY OLD - AND FRANKLY NOT A LOT ELSE
EH?
DO YOU FEEL OUR SENIORS AREN'T GETTING A FAIR DEAL?
YES. I ATE THIS MORNING
DESPITE THE NARROW FOCUS OF YOUR POLICIES DO YOU FEEL THE STRENGTH OF THE WHITE GREY VOTE CAN CARRY YOU TO OFFICE?
EH? WHAT?
I'M ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-EIGHT YOU KNOW.
ANEMIA BLENT THERE OF THE ELDSTEE LIBERAL PROGRESSIVES ONE OF THE TWO HUNDRED AND TWELVE PARTIES THAT HAVE SO FAR DECLARED CANDIDATES IN THE FORTHCOMING ELECTION.
CLEAR FAVOURITE IS STILL TONY BLORE OF THE ILLIBERAL PARTY SUCCESSOR TO THE LATE MAYOR BYRON AMBROSE MR BLORE TODAY SPOKE AT A MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR MAYOR AMBROSE AT ST SPOONIE'S ON THE SKEDWAY

IN ATTENDANCE WERE CAPTAINS OF BUSINESS AND ACADEMIA AS WELL AS MANY STARS FROM THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY
BYRON IF YOU CAN HEAR ME UP THERE LET ME SAY WHAT HUMBLE PRIDE IT GIVES ME TO BE THE ONE SELECTED TO STEP INTO YOUR BOOTS.


EXCUSE ME
LOOK LET'S FACE IT THEY'RE BOOTS THAT NO ONE COULD EVER FILL BUT I'M GOING TO TRY
YOU WERE THE BEST WE EVER HAD AND I'M GOING TO TRY TO, TO LIVE UP TO THE EXAMPLE YOU SET SO THAT ONE DAY . ONE DAY PEOPLE MIGHT SAY TONY BLORE... TONY BLORE HE, HE WASN'T SO BAD YOU KNOW
YOU'LL BE A LOT BETTER WHEN I CUT YOUR HEART OUT YOU SLIMY LITTLE TOAD

HE TAKES A CLASS AT THE ACADEMY OF LAW THREE TIMES A MONTH WHEN CIRCUMSTANCES ALLOW.
FRANCISCO LIKES ALL THE COUNCIL TO DO THEIR BIT GOOD FOR CADET MORALE
ATTITUDE IS HALF THE BATTLE HOW YOU CARRY YOURSELF HOW YOU PROJECT YOURSELF TO THE PUBLIC
BEFORE YOU SAY A WORD, A SUSPECT SHOULD KNOW TWO THINGS - ONE HE CANNOT BEAT YOU FURTHER RESISTANCE IS FUTILE AGAINST YOU HE CAN NOT WIN
TWO - THERE IS NO POINT IN HOLDING BACK INFORMATION WHATEVER HE'S DONE WHATEVER HE KNOWS, YOU WILL FIND OUT
THE CHIEF JUDGE'S POLICY HAS MUCH TO COMMEND IT OF COURSE THOUGH HE CANNOT AVOID RE-ENTING THE TIME OFF THE STREETS.
SIR AREN'T WE IN DANGER OF APPEARING HEAVY-HANDED?
IT'S A FINE LINE, BUT IF YOU'RE GOING TO CROSS IT HEAVY-HANDED BEATS SOFT TOUCH EVERY TIME
AND YOU CAN CONVEY THIS JUST BY THE WAY YOU STAND?
WORD ON YOUR AFFIDAVIT THE INITIAL FACE TO FACE IS THE MOST VITAL PART OF THE INTERROGATION AND REMEMBER ATTITUDE GOES FROM WITHIN
HE CAN.
UNLESS YOU KNOW THE SUSPECT CAN'T BEAT YOU, YOU'RE NEVER GOING TO CONVINCE HIM
SIR, WE WERE TALKING ABOUT THE ELECTION IN THE DOMM. THE CONSENSUS WAS THAT THE WHOLE THING WAS A WASTE OF TIME. THEY DON'T HAVE ANY POWER SO WHAT'S THE POINT?
IT HAS THE APPEARANCE OF DEMOCRACY IT KEEPS THEM HAPPY FOR THE MOST PART AND IT'S FAR PREFERABLE TO THE REAL THING

SIR CAN I SPEAK TO YOU?
THAT APPEARS TO BE WHAT YOU'RE DOING
I AM CARTER HENNESSY. I'M IN THE ACADEMY OF A PSI BUREAUCRAT. I HAVE ABOVE AVERAGE PRECOGNITIVE POWERS
AHEM
WELL RECENTLY I'VE BEEN GETTING THESE NIGHTMARES. THEY'VE STARTED HAPPENING ANYTIME REALLY I SEE THE CITY IN FLAMES IT'S REALLY CRAZY ON THE STREETS PEOPLE LIKE MAD DOGS AND THEY'RE DYING ALL OVER THE PLACE.
ELECTION DAY IT'S ALL HAPPENING ON ELECTION DAY
YOU'VE TOLD YOUR SUPERVISOR AT PSI DIVISION ABOUT THIS?
YES SIR, HE KEEPS TELLING ME I'VE GOT TO BE MORE SPECIFIC
YOU HAVE TO UNDERSTAND HENNESSY A LOT OF PRECOGS HAVE VISIONS MOST OF THEM TURN OUT TO BE INACCURATE. JUST PLAIN WRONG.
YES SIR
YOU WANT US TO FAKE IT FURTHER YOU'VE GOT TO GIVE US MORE TO GO ON.
CONCENTRATE ON IT WHY IS IT HAPPENING? WHAT'S BEHIND IT? LET ME KNOW IF YOU GET ANYTHING MORE
SHE'S HERE WITH HER SISTER BIT OF A DISAPPOINTMENT TO US BOTH OF THEM NOT LIVING UP TO EARLY PROMISE.
SHE SEEMED VERY SERIOUS QUITE PERTURBED.
THAT'S HENNESSY.

CALL CAME IN FOR YOU. WE TOLD THEM YOU COULDN'T BE DISTURBED
THEY FOUND A MOPAD BROKEN DOWN ON THE NORTH SIXED SECTOR I.D. TWO BODIES INSIDE
PJ MAYBE
THEY FOUND PRINTS AND DNA ALL OVER THE MOPAD. HE DIDN'T TAKE ANY TROUBLE TO CONCEAL HIS PRESENCE
THAT'S MAYBE ALL RIGHT HE LIKES US TO KNOW HE'S BEEN A BAD BOY
CONTROL. THAT MOPAD ON THE NORTH SIXED. ON MY WAY.

WHAT IS HE - ?
SORRY TREENA
NO - DON'T DO IT -
NO -
HENNESSY TO WHAT DO WE OWE THIS INTERRUPTION?
ARE YOU QUITE WELL CADET?
THEY'RE GOING TO KILL HER
WHO?
IT'S THOSE VISIONS SHE'S BEEN HAVING SIR CALL HER PSI DIVISION SUPERVISOR
SO JUDGE DREDD HE SAID TO CALL HIM HE SAID PARTICULARLY TO CALL HIM

WHEN I AM ELECTED MAYOR I WILL TAKE BACK THE POWER FROM THE JUDGES! I WILL REINSTATE JURIES! EVERY CITIZEN WILL HAVE THEIR DAY IN COURT!
WHETHER THEY NEED IT OR NOT
THE JUDGES WILL FOLLOW OUR ORDERS! THEY WILL BE REMINDED THAT THEY ARE OUR SERVANTS NOT OUR MASTERS!
WHAT ABOUT THE MUTANTS?
MUTANTS WILL BE TREATED LIKE EVERY OTHER CITIZEN. ONE PERSON, ONE VOTE
KORNER
WRONG ANSWER
MUTANTS OUT
DEMOCRATS TOO!
FIND OUT WHAT IT IS. I'LL ATTEND TO IT WHEN I CAN.
THIS IS URGENT
ALL RIGHT DAMMIT I BETTER BE GOOD. ON MY WAY.

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FORENSICS ARE STILL WORKING ON THE MOPAD, TRAFFIC'S SNARLED UP ALL ALONG THE GREAT WEST SKED
THEY'D FOUND PJ MAYBE'S DNA AND PRINTS BELONGING TO MAYOR AMBROSE. THEY'D STILL TO MAKE THE AMENDMENT AT CENTRAL RECORDS.
NAME IS PITCHER, SPIKE AND ADORA. BOUGHT THE MOPAD WITH THE PROCEEDS OF AN ACTION AGAINST QUELL / COMESTEREN MAKERS OF THE CONTAMINATED MINCE PASTE THAT KILLED THEIR SON, BEEN TOURING SINCE 26.
BY THE STATE OF DECOMPOSITION FORENSICS SAY THEY'VE BEEN DEAD AT LEAST FOUR WEEKS.
THE MOPAD WAS SET TO RUN ON AUTOMATIC WE WOULDN'T HAVE KNOWN ANYTHING WAS WRONG IF THE FUEL HADN'T EXPIRED ON THE SKED.
I'VE TRACED IT'S ROUTE OVER THE TIME SINCE MAYBE ABSCONDED. YOU CAN SEE IT'S VISITED EVERY SECTOR APART FROM THE HAB ZONE WITH NUMEROUS STOPS USUALLY IN SPOTS WHERE CAMERA SURVEILLANCE IS POOR OR MISSING
MAYBE WOULD HAVE HAD ACCESS TO INFORMATION ON EVERY SURVEILLANCE BLACKSPOT SO HE COULD HAVE STEPPED OFF AT ANY ONE OF THESE STOPS.
IF YOU DON'T MIND BOSS I'D LIKE TO HAND THIS INVESTIGATION TO MY OWN PEOPLE.
BE MY GUEST LOOKS LIKE A NO-HOPER TO ME CREEPS SMART
STAY ON IT TILL YOU FIND HER LOGAN, YOUR ONE AND ONLY PRIORITY UNDERSTOOD?
GOTCHA.
I'M GIVING YOU BEENIE AND ROUKE, THEY BOTH HAVE EXPERIENCE WITH MAYBE. I'LL SPEAK TO THEIR SECTOR CHIEF
DIFFERENT EXPERIENCE COUNCIL OF FIVE LIKE TRYING TO JUGGLE TOO MANY BALLS. HE HAS TO LEARN TO DELEGATE. AT LEAST WITH LOGAN AND THE OTHERS HE'LL MAINTAIN A DIRECT LINE TO THE INVESTIGATION.

SHE COULDN'T BE NORMAL THE WAY SHE SNAPPED JOHN'S NECK LIKE A TWIG.
SHE HAD TO BE, SHE WAS ABOUT THE RIGHT AGE. MAYBE ONE OF THE LAST ON THE PROGRAMME.
FREAKIN' NADIA SHE CHOSE ME FOR THIS OUT OF SPITE.
NOT SURE HER BRAIN WORKS THAT WAY.
I LIKED JOHN.
NOT QUITE TO LOVE.
MAYBE THAT'S HER POINT KEEP YOUR MIND ON WHY WE'RE HERE.
TREENA IT'S MIKE AND DEBBIE JOHNSON WE'RE FRIENDS OF BILLY.
SOMETHING'S HAPPENED, WE NEED TO SPEAK TO YOU IT'S IMPORTANT
JOHN WASN'T HIS REAL NAME OF COURSE IT'S WHAT THE OTHERS KNEW HIM AS
WHAT'S HAPPENED?
SHH, CLOSE THE DOOR.
BILLY WASN'T HIS REAL NAME EITHER IT'S JUST WHAT TREENA KNEW HIM AS.
BILLY'S IN A BIT OF TROUBLE TREENA HE'S GOING TO HAVE TO LAY LOW FOR A WHILE
WH-WHY?
MUTANTS BUREAU.
HE WANTED US TO COLLECT SOME THINGS HE SAID HE KEPT THEM HIDDEN SOMEWHERE WHERE'S THAT TREENA?
I DON'T UNDERSTAND, WHAT'S THE MUTANT BUREAU GOT TO DO WITH IT?
DIDN'T HE TELL YOU HE HAD FUNNY GENES?
THINK TREENA WHERE WOULD HE HIDE SOMETHING?

LET'S HEAR IT HENNESSY
HER NAME'S TELENA. SHE'S YOUNG DARK HAIRED QUITE PRETTY. I'M NOT SURE WHERE SHE LIVES. SOMEWHERE IN THE EAST SECTORS. LOW RENT. SHE'S GOING TO BE MURDERED
I CAN'T TELL YOU A MAN. I THINK ... I CAN'T PICTURE HIM CLEARLY. JUST THE GUN. IT'S AN ARMCO 4/9 WITH THE INFRA-RED CHARGE MODIFICATION.
WHO BY?
I'VE COVERED MANDELASTERS LAST SEMESTER
WHEN'S THIS GOING TO HAPPEN?
I DON'T KNOW. TODAY. TOMORROW. SOMETIME SOON.
AND WHAT MAKES YOU THINK THIS IS CONNECTED TO THE OTHER PREDICTIONS YOU'VE MADE ... THE ELECTION-DAY DISASTER?
IT IS. I KNOW IT. YOU'VE GOT TO BELIEVE ME.
IF YOU WANT ME TO TAKE THIS SERIOUSLY HENNESSY YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO COME UP WITH A LOT MORE. AN ARMCO 4/9 IS NOT UNCOMMON EVEN WITH THE IRC. PRETTY GIRL GETS MURDERED. HOW MANY OF THOSE DO YOU THINK WE GET EVERY DAY?
AND THIS IS IT? NO PLACE ELSE?
IT'S A SMALL APARTMENT. WHERE'S HE GOING TO HIDE ANYTHING? LOOK. I DON'T UNDERSTAND ANY OF THIS.
I KNOW. IT'S ALL KIND OF HARD TO TAKE IN.

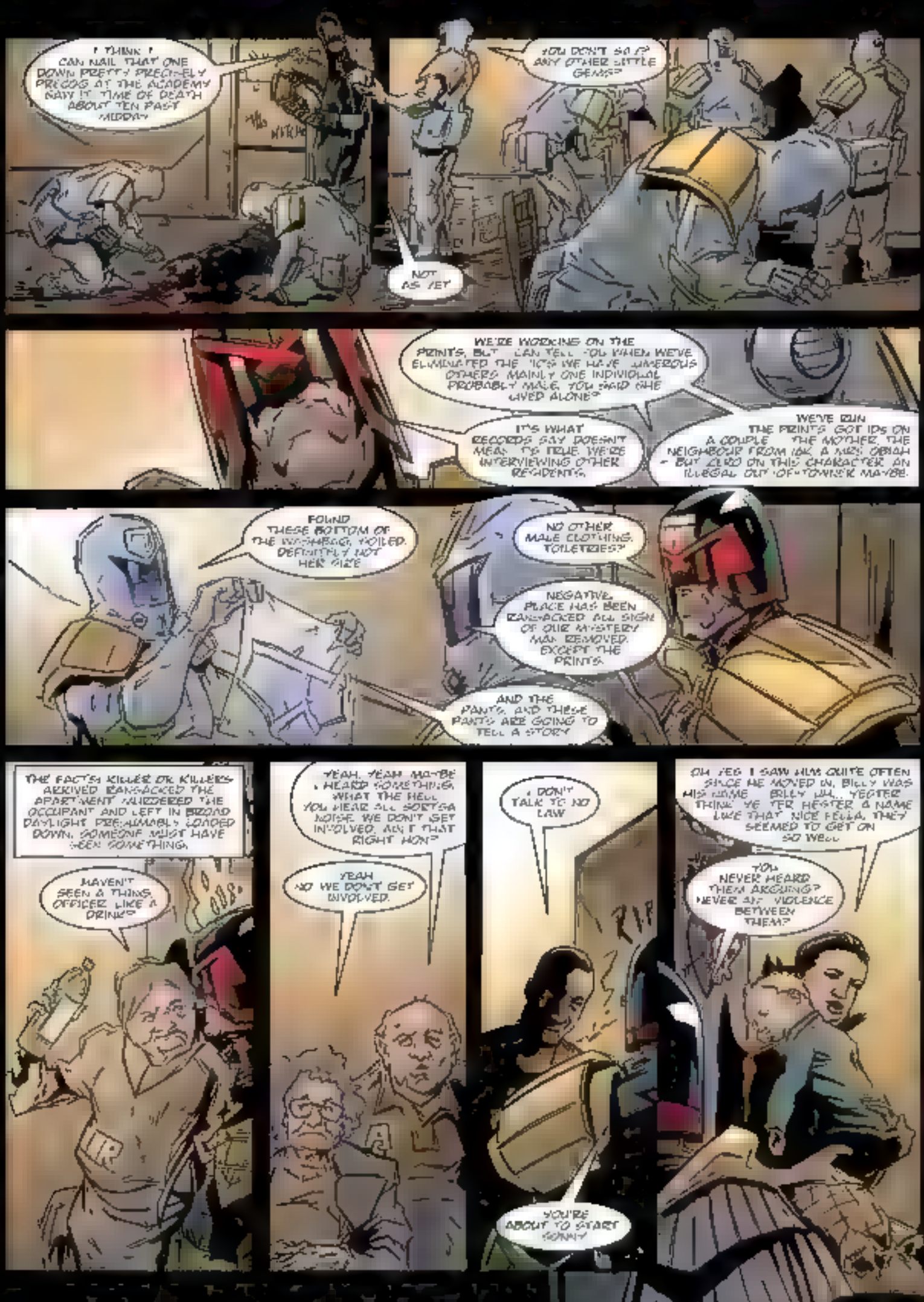
NO! HE'S GOING TO DO IT -
SHE'S DEAD
HOW DO YOU KNOW?
KNOW, HE KILLED HER. SHE'S DEAD.
I CAN DRAW HER. IS THAT ANY HELP?
WHAT A GOOD IDEA, CARTER
HENNESSY IS QUITE A GIFTED DRAFTSMAN NOT SOMETHING WE GENERALLY ENCOURAGE
SHE HAS PROMINENT CHEEKBONES BUT THEY'RE NOT HIGH. JUST A SUGGESTION OF A DIMPLE ON THE CHIN. LIPS ARE FULL QUITE WIDE
THAT'S HER
ALL RIGHT LET'S SEE WHAT WE CAN DO WITH IT

HENNESSY'S DRAWING OF THE CHOPPED VICTIM IS FED INTO JUSTICE DEPARTMENT'S CENTRAL COMPUTER. FEATURES ARE CALIBRATED ALLOWING A TEN PER CENT MARGIN FOR ERROR
THERE ARE OVER EIGHT THOUSAND POSSIBLE MATCHES
I GOT HER RIGHT THAT'S THE FACE I SAW
ALL RIGHT, COMPUTER, SHAVE THE MARGIN TO TWO PER CENT
IT IS TIME
NINETY-SEVEN NAMES
SPECIFY TREENA, TRINA, CHRISTINA, ISOBEL - ALL VARIATIONS
THREE
NOT HER
IT'S NOT THEM EITHER. NONE OF THEM.
TRY MIDDLE NAMES. DID YOU TRY MIDDLE NAMES?
THERE'S A NUMBER I'VE CAME NO SENSE TAKING UP JUDGE DREDD'S TIME IF WE'RE MISTAKEN. IS THERE HENNESSY?
THAT'S IT. THAT'S HER
MAYLENE KATARINA BINGEN
LIVES ALONE IN SHORT-LIFES IN SECTOR 54
KATARINA TREENA. THAT WORKS.

NOT HOME OR
COULD BE A LOT OF EXPLANATIONS
ONLY HALF AN HOUR AWAY I'LL CHECK IT OUT MYSELF
STRAIGHT RUN THROUGH ON THE GREAT EAST SIDE
HE GIVES LITTLE CREDENCE TO THE CADET'S CLAIM SHE HAS BEEN PERFORMING LITTLE ABOVE AVERAGE IN PRECOGNITIVE TESTS. ADOLESCENT ATTENTION SEEKING PERHAPS
THIS MAY WELL BE THE END OF HER
ELMORE JURGEN. FORTY THREE FORMERLY DEPUTY CIVILIAN DIRECTOR OF THIS CITY'S BIO-WARFARE RESEARCH FACILITY
WE HAVE INFORMATION THAT JURGEN DEVELOPED A VARIANT OF THE PARASITIC MICRO-ORGANISM TOXOPLASMA GONDII TRANSMITTED THROUGH THE AIR AND ESTIMATED TO BE FATAL IN NINETY-NINE POINT EIGHT PER CENT OF CASES.

IT SEEMS YURGES HAD SOME KIND OF CONVERSION. SOON AFTERWARDS HE RESIGNED OF DESTROYING HIS NOTES AND ALL EXISTING CULTURES OF THE MICRO-ORGANISM. HE NOW HOLDS A CHAIR AT ATLANTIC TECH.
WHY THEY DID NOT SQUEEZE THE SECRET OUT OF HIM FIND MYSTIFYING.
WE CERTAINLY SHOULD HAVE. BUT THOSE ARE THE FACTS.
I TELL YOU THIS BECAUSE YOU WILL HEARS ABOUT IT WHEN WE HAVE ASSISTED YURGES AND HIS FAMIL TO LEAVE THE CITY
THEY WANT TO DEFECT?
THEIR WISHES ARE OF NO CONCERD TO US.
I GET YOU.
WHY NOT JUST SEND THEM TICKETS FOR A FOREIGN HOLIDAY AND PICK THEM UP ABROAD? EASY TO ARRANGE
BECAUSE OF WHAT HE KNOWS. THEY DO NOT PERMIT HIM TO LEAVE THE CITY THEY WATCH HIM. THAT IS A FACTOR WE MUST BE AWARE OF.
WE HAVE BEEN OBSERVING THE FAMILY FOR SOME TIME.
WE KNOW THAT THEY HAVE PURCHASED FOUR TICKETS TO A THEATRE PRODUCTION TONIGHT. THAT S WHEN YOU WILL DETAIN THEM.
SPEED IS OF THE ESSENCE EVERYTHING WILL BE WORKED OUT TO A HIGH PRECISION. THERE WILL BE NO SURPRISES
DAVE
KUK
HUHH - ?
OH NO! DON'T SHOOT!

I GOT THOSE DANCING FEET THOSE MANEY CRAZY DANCING FEET
HE'S A COMBINED ANIMATION, INTERNMENT YOU HIT THE CONTROL PAD.
SOME REPAIR JOB THIS IS GOING TO BE
JERRY CHECK THAT NO ONE HEARD THOSE SHOTS
LET THIS BE THE LAST SURPRISE WE HAVE WORK TO DO.
WE PUT THE TIME OF DEATH AT BETWEEN AN HOUR TO AN HOUR AND A HALF AGO.


I THINK I CAN NAIL THAT ONE DOWN PRETTY PRECISELY PRECOG AT THE ACADEMY SAYS IT TIME OF DEATH ABOUT TEN PAST MIDDAY
NOT AS YET
YOU DON'T SAY? ANY OTHER LITTLE GEMS?
WE'RE WORKING ON THE PRINTS, BUT CAN TELL YOU WHEN WE'VE ELIMINATED THE 'ICS WE HAVE NUMEROUS OTHERS MAINLY ONE INDIVIDUAL PROBABLY MALE, YOU SAID SHE LIVED ALONE?
IT'S WHAT RECORDS SAY DOESN'T MEAN TO BE TRUE. WE'RE INTERVIEWING OTHER RESIDENTS.
WE'VE RUN THE PRINTS GOT IDS ON A COUPLE THE MOTHER, THE NEIGHBOUR FROM 10K, A MAN OBIAH - BUT ZERO ON THIS CHARACTER. AN ILLEGAL OUT-TOWNER MAYBE.
FOUND THESE BOTTOM OF THE WORKBASKET, FOILED. DEFINITELY NOT HER SIZE
NO OTHER MALE CLOTHING. TOILETRIES?
NEGATIVE. PLACE HAS BEEN RANSACKED ALL SIGN OF OUR MYSTERY MAN REMOVED. EXCEPT THE PRINTS.
AND THE PANTS. AND THESE PANTS ARE GOING TO TELL A STORY
THE FACTS KILLER OR KILLERS ARRIVED RANSACKED THE APARTMENT MURDERED THE OCCUPANT AND LEFT IN BROAD DAYLIGHT PRESUMABLY LOADED DOWN. SOMEONE MUST HAVE SEEN SOMETHING.
HAVEN'T SEEN A THING, OFFICER. LIKE A DRINK?
YEAH, YEAH MAYBE I HEARD SOMETHING. WHAT THE HELL YOU HEAR ALL SORTS A NOISE. WE DON'T GET INVOLVED. AIN'T THAT RIGHT HON?
YEAH NO WE DON'T GET INVOLVED.
I DON'T TALK TO NO LAW
YOU'RE ABOUT TO START SONNY
OH YEH I SAW HIM QUITE OFTEN SINCE HE MOVED IN. BILLY WAS HIS NAME BILLY UH... YEATES THINK YE TER HESTER A NAME LIKE THAT NICE FELLA. THEY SEEMED TO GET ON SO WELL
YOU NEVER HEARD THEM ARGUING? NEVER ANY VIOLENCE BETWEEN THEM?

SO A BULLSEYE FOR HENNESSY IMPRESSIVE CONSIDERING HER PAST PERFORMANCE YET HE CAN SEE NOTHING TO LINK IT TO THIS WIDER PLOT THIS DISASTER SHE PREDICTS FOR THE CITY
AT THE MOMENT IT LOOKS LIKE NOTHING MORE THAN A SIMPLE DOMESTIC THEY HAVE A ROW THIS BILLY FESTER OR HESTER KILLS TREENA GRIGGS AND CLEARS OFF WITH HIS POSSESSIONS
AND YET
WE'VE SUCCESSFULLY ISOLATED DNA FROM THE PANTS NOTHING ON FILE, BUT IT BEARS OUT OUR ILLEGAL THEORY SUBJECT IS OF SLAVIC GENETIC TYPE
RIGHT WE PUT OUT AN ALL UNITS FOR HIM, TALK TO THE OTHER RESIDENTS AGAIN BRING IN GRAPHICS MEDICS SEE IF YOU CAN GET A LIKENESS.
YOU CAN LOOK INTO THE GIRL'S MOVEMENTS SOME SECURITY CAM MUST HAVE PICKED UP THE BOYFRIEND
GOT YOU TO DREDD WE HAVE A RELAY FROM JUDGE GALLOW AT THE ACADEMY
PATCH HIM THROUGH
AH DREDD DON'T SUPPOSE THE NAME BILLY MEANS ANYTHING TO YOU
IT DOESN'T IT'S JUST THAT OUR YOUNG HENNESSY HERE HAS HAD ANOTHER WELL... REVELATION YES YES SHE'S RIGHT MEDIC I'LL PUT HER ON
THERE'S A CHEM PIT THERE WAS A CITY BLOCK IN THE DISTANCE I THINK IT WAS MILTON TOWER, WE STACKED IT WHEN WE WERE COVERING MASS SUICIDES.
THERE'S A BIG DIGGER DREDGING I YOU'RE THERE WATCHING AND AND ME TOO IT'S PULLING OUT A BODY IT'S HIM, YOU'RE LOOKING FOR HIM. IT'S BILLY
I THINK I KNOW WHERE YOU MEAN HENNESSY PICK UP A BIKE FROM THE POOL MY NAME AS AUTHORISATION I'LL BE THERE IN THIRTY
DON'T SEE WHY WE SHOULD BUCK THE PREDICTION

YOU'RE ON THE BUTTON AGAIN HENNESSY
PICKING UP ANYTHING MORE?
NO.
SO ASSUMING THIS IS BILLY HESTER OR YESTER OR WHATEVER HIS NAME IS THE BOYFRIEND OF TREEN BRIGGS HOW DO THESE MURDERS CONNECT TO THE BIG PLOT?
I... DON'T KNOW.
BUT YOU THINK THEY ARE CONNECTED?
YES YES I'M SURE OF IT
YOU'LL SEE A LOT WORSE IF YOU EVER MAKE THAT FULL EAGLE.
WE'LL WAIT FOR FORENSICS

THEY GET A MATCH WITH THE DNA FOUND IN MAYLENE GRIGGS APARTMENT UNLESS BILLY HEMMINGWAY DIVED INTO THE CHEM PIT HIMSELF AND FOR GOD KNOWS WHAT REASON HE IS NO LONGER A SUSPECT
CAUSE OF DEATH: FRACTURE OF THE CERVICAL VERTEBRAE. CLEAN VERY PROFESSIONAL
HARD TO SAY HOW LONG HE'S BEEN DEAD PROBABLY IN THE REGION OF TWENTY FOUR HOURS. CLOTHES ARE MOSTLY BURNT AWAY OR FUSED TO THE SKIN BUT THERE'S NO INDICATION OF ANYTHING IN HIS POCKETS SO ID.
NOT MUCH THERE'S INDICATION OF RECENT MOVEMENTS AROUND THE PIT SO WE CAN ASSUME THE BODY WAS DUMPED FROM ABOVE
A LONG-RUNNING NOW WAS UNLIKELY TO BE TRACEABLE
SO WE'VE GOT AN UNIDENTIFIED MALE. DNA NOT ON FILE POSSIBLY ILLEGAL IN THE CITY KILLED SOME TIME BEFORE MAYLENE KATARINA GRIGGS BELIEVED TO BE HIS GIRLFRIEND
BOTH KILLINGS HAVE THE MARK OF PROFESSIONAL EXECUTION. OR TO A DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN SEARCHED THOUGHTS HENNESSY?
THEY HAD SOMETHING HIDDEN IN THE APARTMENT OR THE KILLERS THOUGHT THEY HAD
YOU SAW OR FELT THIS?
NO SIR, JUST A DEDUCTION FROM THE EVIDENCE
PERHAPS YET THE KILLERS SEEMED TO CONCENTRATE ON REMOVING EVERY TRACE OF BILLY
ALL RIGHT HEMMINGWAY LET'S GET YOU BACK TO THE ACADEMY YOU COME UP WITH ANYTHING ELSE LET ME KNOW IMMEDIATELY
THIS WIDER PLOT HOW MUCH RELIANCE CAN BE PLACE IN THE GIRL? WHY HAD SHE AN UNDERPERFORMING CADET SUDDENLY SET FED ON THIS ONE? WORTH LOOKING INTO HER BACKGROUND PERHAPS TO SEARCH FOR A CAUSE
YET SHE HAD BEEN BLANKLY ACCURATE SO FAR. SHE'D LED THEM TO A DOUBLE MURDER SHE'D SEEN THE CHEM PIT AND THE SHOOTING OF GRIGGS
LITTLE FA IN THOUGH HE GENERALLY WAS IN PSI DIVISION HE CANNOT AFFORD TO IGNORE THIS
CONTROL PATCH ME THROUGH TO ROFFMAN AT PSU.
GOT DEDUCTION, MAYBE YOU HEARD I'M ALLOWED TO SLEEP NIGHTS NOW.
SORRY ROFFMAN SLIPPED OF MIND MA'AM I'M COULD BEGINNING A GOOD TEA I NEED A TEACH DONE FAST
HOW TO DO THIS ONE FOR OLD MIKE WHAT A UP HOW AWAY
NEED TO KNOW THE MOVEMENTS OF MAYLENE KATARINA GRIGGS SHORT LIFES IN 34 SIEVE PL FILE GO BACK SIX MONTHS TO START
I'M MORE INTERESTED IN HER COMPANION MALE. MIDTOWN IF DARK HAIR AVERAGE HEIGHT GOLF BY THE NAME BILLY HEMMINGWAY OR HESTER
AND YOU DON'T THINK WE'RE WHAT WE'RE THE DEAL

ATLANTIC TECH
AW, MOM, I WANT TO STAY AND PLAY WITH LUCINDA.
YOU PLAY WITH LUCINDA TOO MUCH. I'M SORRY WE EVER GOT HER FOR YOU.
WE'RE ALL GOING TO HAVE A FAMILY NIGHT OUT FOR ONCE BRUCE OKAY?
THEY'RE MOVING
KILLING JOHN HAD BEEN A CRUDE LESSON. BUT EFFECTIVE. THEY FEAR HER NOW. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THEY FEAR HER MORE THAN THE JUDGES
YOU SEE THE SPY CAMERAS? ONE OVERHEAD ONE UP AHEAD OF THEM.
YOUR EYES MUST BE BETTER THAN - WAIT
RIGHT I SEE THEM.
HOW DID YOU KNOW ABOUT THE THEM? HAVE WE GOT SOMEONE ON THE INSIDE?
THAT IS INFORMATION YOU DO NOT REQUIRE
ADHERING TO PREDICTED ROUTE ESTIMATE THREE MINUTES, ARE YOU IN POSITION?
COMING UP

GO
JERRY KNOWS WHERE TO WAIT?
I DAMN WELL HOPE SO.
IN POSITION NOW
APPROACHING YOU NOW BEHIND THE INSIDE JAIL STAY IN COVER
HOLD IT STEADY
YOU'VE GOT TO GET CLOSER NADIA
DO WHAT I SAY
WE'VE LOST NUMBER TWO CHAL

YOU'RE GUESD TO GO.
NUMBER ONE'S GONE. SOMETHING'S UP
JUST SIT TIGHT AND YOU WON'T BE HURT
OH MY GOLD
SKREEEEEEEEEEE

THERE Y'E GOT WHAT YOU'RE LOOKING FOR DREDD
YOU DIDN'T NEED ME. PRETTY SIMPLE STUFF ANYONE COULD HAVE DONE. I CHECK YOUR BIKE SCREEN.
BUT GET THIS. HESTER IS ALSO A MEMBER OF THE MUTANT DEFENCE CORPS.
WHAT MEMBERSHIPS ENTIRELY MUTANT
A HOST OF LOCAL OPPORTUNITIES MAYER
HE CROSSES 41.9 AND DISAPPEARS INTO O'DOWD. THERE'S A WHOLE MESS OF STREETS DOWN THERE WITH ZERO SURVEILLANCE. NELSON DELANCY SOUTH NYM CRAIN OLD BIKER BOULEVARD AND SO ON. ALL SCHEDULED FOR REDEVELOPMENT AND BEEN ALLOWED TO RUN DOWN.
HE RETURNS BY THE SAME ROUTE ANYWHERE BETWEEN FORTY-FIVE MINUTES AND SIXTEEN HOURS LATER. THE TIMES VARY. CAN'T SEE ANY PATTERN.
WHERE HE GOES WHEN HE'S THERE CAN'T SAY. BUT THE LAST OCCASION WAS YESTERDAY AT 3.28. THAT IS FACT. THE LAST TIME WE HAVE HIM ANYWHERE ON CAM TIL THEY PUGLED HIM OUT OF THE CHEM PIT.
SO I'D SAY SOMEWHERE IN THOSE STREETS THE MURDER WAS CARRIED OUT.

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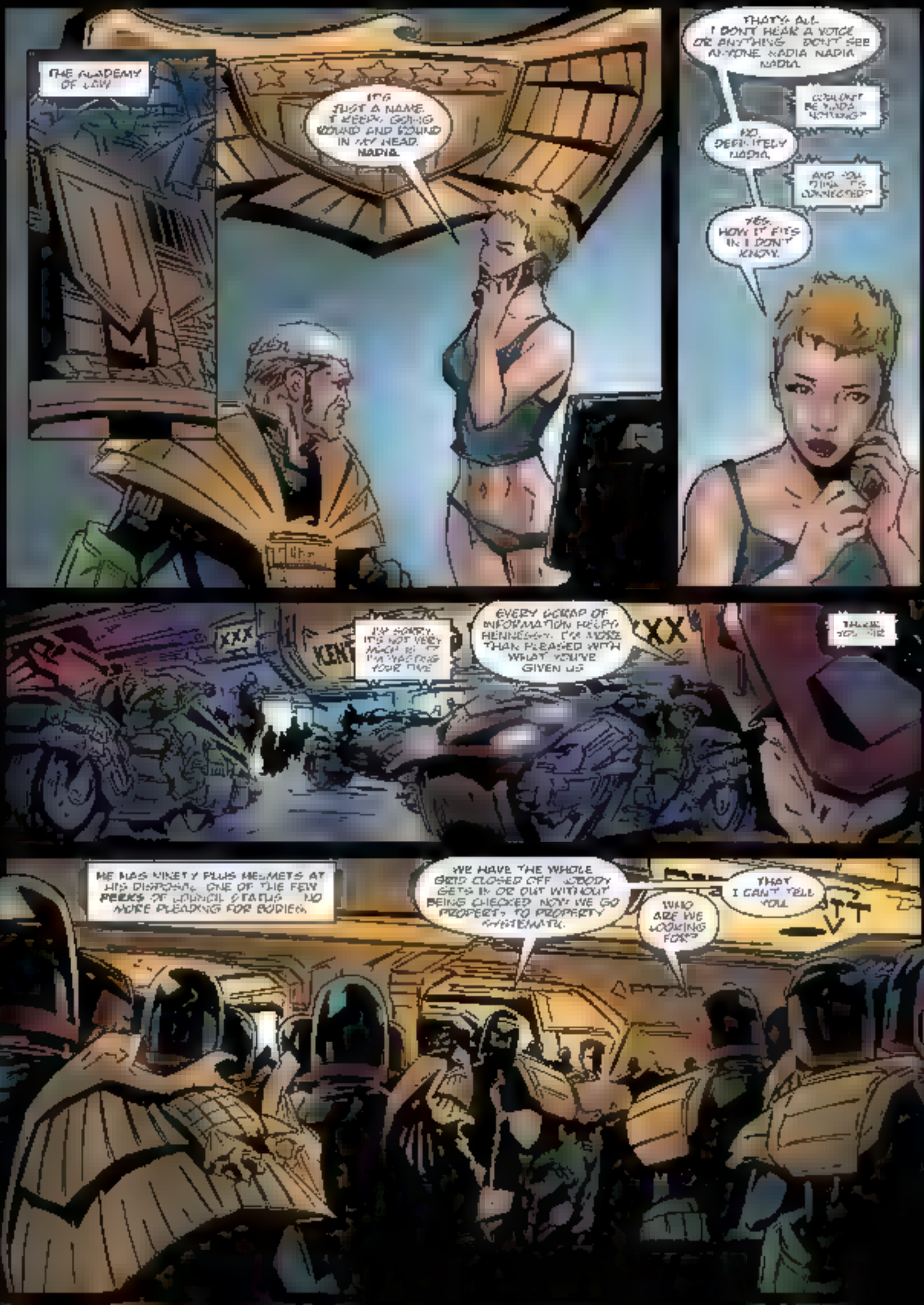
THE ACADEMY OF LAW
IT'S JUST A NAME. IT KEEPS GOING ROUND AND ROUND IN MY HEAD. NADIA.
THAT'S ALL. I DON'T HEAR A VOICE OR ANYTHING. DON'T SEE ANYONE. NADIA NADIA NADIA.
COULDN'T BE A DATA WORKING?
NO. DEFINITELY NADIA.
AND YOU THINK IT'S CONNECTED?
YES. HOW IT FITS IN I DON'T KNOW.
XXX
I'M SORRY. IT'S NOT VERY MUCH IS IT? I'M WASTING YOUR TIME
EVERY SCRAP OF INFORMATION HELPS HENNESSY. I'M MORE THAN PLEASED WITH WHAT YOU'VE GIVEN US
THANK YOU SIR
HE HAS NINETY PLUS HELMETS AT HIS DISPOSAL. ONE OF THE FEW PERKS OF JUDICIAL STATUS. NO MORE PLEADING FOR BODIES.
WE HAVE THE WHOLE GRID CLOSED OFF. NOBODY GETS IN OR OUT WITHOUT BEING CHECKED. NOW WE GO PROPERTY TO PROPERTY SYSTEMATIC.
WHO ARE WE LOOKING FOR?
THAT I CAN'T TELL YOU.

WHAT I CAN SAY IS THAT SOMEWHERE BETWEEN HERE AND OLD KEP APPROXIMATELY TWENTY FOUR HOURS AGO AN UNIDENTIFIED MALE KNOWN AS BILLY HESTER WAS MURDERED
HESTER MAY HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN A WIDER PLOT DIRECTED AGAINST THIS CITY RELEVANT DATA IS ON YOUR BIKE COMPUTERS. READ IT
SHOW HESTER'S FACE AROUND SEE WHO REACTS. HESTER WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF SONS OF AMERICA, GENE CRUSADE AND THE MUTANT DEFENCE CORPS
A MUTANT HATER WITH PRO-MUTANT SYMPATHIES?
OR SOMEONE WHO FOUND IT USEFUL TO WALK BOTH SIDES OF THE FED. TAKE A SPECIAL INTEREST IN ANYONE WITH CONNECTIONS TO THOSE ORGANISATIONS
ONE FINAL THING. WE HAVE A NAME: NADIA
GET OUT OF HERE! MOVE!
WATCH YOUR SPEED.
WHAT THE HELL'S THE MATTER?
THERE'S ABOUT FIFTY JUDGES BACK THERE THEY KNOW ABOUT US THEY KNOW
HOW COULD THEY?
DON'T KNOW, BUT I HEARD THEM.
THEY MUST HAVE FOUND JOHN - THEY NAMED HIM AS BILLY HESTER, AND THEY KNOW ABOUT YOU
WELL I DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING.
NONE OF US SAID ANYTHING. IT HAS TO BE JOHN. HE LEFT SOMETHING. WE MISSED SOMETHING.
WE'VE GOT TO ABORT. THE WHOLE AREA'S CORDONED OFF. EVERYWHERE'LL BE SWARMING WITH JUDGES. DEEPD'S IN CHARGE. BLOODY DREDD.

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DREDD.. THE NAME BRINGS THE TASTE OF BILE TO HER MOUTH THEY ALL HAVE REASON TO HATE IT
THEY CANNOT KNOW THAT WE HOLD JUDGES THERE WILL BE NO TALK OF ABORTING OUR TASK THERE IS A WAY
JERRY EXTINGUISH THE SHOP LIGHTS
WE MUST MOVE YOU SOONER THAN EXPECTED
WHEN YOU AWAKE YOU WILL BE IN A BETTER PLACE BE REASSURED IN THAT
THEY DO NOT PUBLICISE THE ABDUCTION OF THE JUDGES FAMIL BUT THE ALARM IS RAISED ON JUDICIAL NETWORKS ALL PORTS OF EXIT ARE PUT ON EXTREME ALERT
JUDGES HAS KNOWLEDGE AND SKILL TO PENETRATE AND EVADE ALL OF THE CITY TRAL WE IS FOUND
MESSAGE IN A BOT-HOLE
IF THE INCIDENT REGISTERS WITH DREDD IT IS ONLY ON THE PERIPHERY OF HIS MIND HE IS FOCUSED ON HIS OWN CASE LITTLE REALISING THAT HE MAY INADVERTANTLY BE CLOSING IN ON THE OTHER
ZZZZ DEN UP ON THE FOURTH ANOTHER TWO UPSTAIRS
LOAD 'EM UP AND BACK ON THE MEATRUN. PRIORITY ONE
YES SIR

ELLIOTT 344 SOUTH NYM, NO RESPONSE FROM DEAD EASY CAN'T BE ANY SIGN OF LIFE! GOING TO OVERRIDE AND TAKE A LOOK
DAVE
I'M TELLING YOU WE'RE NEVER GOING TO GET THEM THROUGH.
YOU BEGIN TO WORRY ME DAVE.
SO MUCH NEGATIVITY!
THAT'S THE DOOR!
CHAPEL OF DEATH
THIS IS THE LAW! IS THERE ANYONE ON THESE PREMISES?

JEREMIAH ANDERSON SIR. PROPRIETOR. EXPERT IN DEATH SINCE 2126. HOW CAN I HELP YOU?
YOU ALONE HERE?
YES. NEED ABOUT TO BACK UP FOR THE NIGHT
YOU KNOW THE NEIGHBORHOOD. YOU NOTICE ANYTHING UNUSUAL LIKE A LOT OF LONERS AND LOONIES AROUND THAT SEEMED A BIT ODD?
HERE ARE A LOT OF WEIRD ODD PEOPLE AROUND HE DON'T TO KEEP OURSELVES TO OURSELVES
RECOGNISE THIS MAN?
UM... NO. NO I DON'T THINK SO..
THE NAME NADIA MEAN ANYTHING TO YOU?
A MOMENTARY HESITATION ELLIOTT DOESN'T MISS IT
I'M GOING TO HAVE TO LOOK AROUND WHAT'S DOWN HERE?
NOTHING SIR'S THE WORK ROOMS REALLY SIR IS THIS REALLY NECESSARY? I HAVE TO BE GOING
WHAT IS IT ANDERSON? SOMETHING MAKE YOU NERVOUS? SOMETHING YOU DON'T WANT ME TO SEE?
I THINK I BETTER CALL IN SOME BACK UP JUST IN CASE THERE'S A NASTY SURPRISE WAITING DOWN THERE
NO SIR, IT'S JUST THAT
PLEASE I'M IN SUCH A HURRY
CREEP GIVING YOU TROUBLE?
SUSPICIOUS HE'S HIDING SOMETHING
THERE'S SOMETHING YOU'RE NOT TELLING ME ISN'T THERE SOMEONE? AND I FIGURE TO RIGHT DOWN HERE
THEN WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR?
CHECK IT OUT

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I WAS ONLY NEXT QUAD WHEN I GOT YOUR CALL. IT'S HELL OUT THERE. MAKE THIS QUICK.
LOAD UP THE CA. LET'S HURRY.
NO...
YES
BLAM
HOLD YOUR FIRE!
YOU HAVE AN INFOCARD.
FOLLOW JUDGE WILE. ALL IS ARRANGED AT THE OTHER END. YOU WILL NOT BE RETURNING HERE.
WHAT ABOUT YOU? YOU'RE NOT COMING?
WE SUSPECTED SO.
NOT WHO YOU THINK. KID AT THE ACADEMY PSI!
SHE PICKED UP ON YOUR MAN IN THE CREW PIT SHIP. THING'S TO SOME TERRIBLE DISASTER SO SHE GAVE HER MUCH CRED TILL DREDD
I MUST REMAIN. HAVE ONE MORE TASK TO CARRY OUT
THOUGH HER ORDERS FORBID IT. IT IS TOO GOOD AN OPPORTUNITY TO LET PASS...

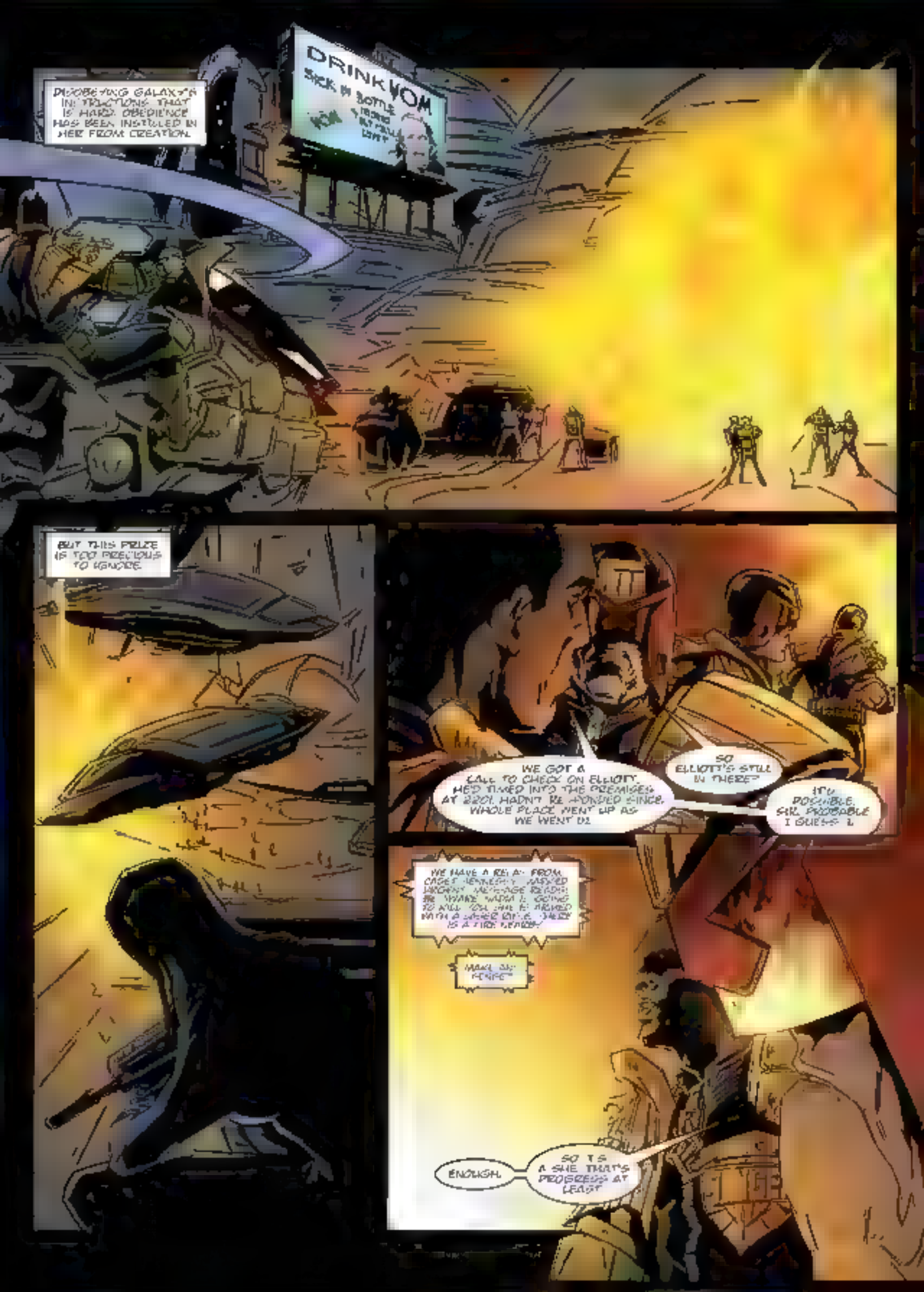
WITH A JUDGE ESCORT THE KIDNAPPERS SLIP UNHINDERED THROUGH THE SEARCH CORDON. THE CAPTIVE SCIENTIST AND FAMILY ABOARD.
URB KARLAN
BIG 6
AMBULANCE
ST. ELMO'S AMBULANCE
WHILE AT DEAD BABY THE FUNERAL PARLOUR THE WOMAN CALLED NADIA TAKES THE NECESSARY STEPS.

CHECKPOINT AHEAD.
REMEMBER, THEY DON'T TAKE US ALIVE
LET THEM PASS
ST. ELMO'S AMBULANCE
KILL THE ST ELMO'S
THIS IS WHERE WE PART COMPANY. KEEP STRAIGHT ON THREE HUNDRED EIGHT OR ZIMMER, THAT'LL BRING YOU OUT NEAR THE SHED.
UNLESS THAT PRECOG'S PICKED UP ON YOU, YOU OUGHT TO BE IN THE CLEAR.
A COMFORTING THOUGHT
COMFORTING TOO TO KNOW THEY HAD A TAME JUDGE ONSIDE. LIKE A SPREADING CANCER THEY HAVE REACHED INTO EVERY PART OF THIS SOCIETY.
AND ONCE THEIR CARGO IS DELIVERED THE INFECTION WILL BE TERMINAL.

BUT NADIA... NADIA HAS MORE IMMEDIATE RETRIBUTION IN MIND

DEAD EASY
IT'S ELLIOTT'S BIKE. HE'S GOT TO BE INSIDE.
CONTROL, WE'RE AT DEAD EASY. DOOR IS UNSECURED.
OH.
EXPLOSION 344 SOUTH NYM. JUDGE DOWN.

OK MY WAY!
H-WAGON, REPORT!
SOMETHING HENNESSY?
SHE'S GOING TO KILL HIM
WHO'S GOING TO KILL WHO?
NADIA. IT'S NADIA. SHE'S NOT NORMAL. SHE HATES HIM. SHE'S GOING TO KILL HIM.
WHO?
JUDGE DREDD. I SAW IT. I SAW BLOOD.
THUD
THUD


DISOBEYING GALAXY'S INJUNCTIONS THAT IS HARD. OBEDIENCE HAS BEEN INSTILLED IN HER FROM CREATION.
DRINK VOM
BUT THIS PRIZE IS TOO PRECIOUS TO IGNORE.
WE GOT A CALL TO CHECK ON ELLIOT. HE'D TIMED INTO THE PREMISES AT 2201. HADN'T RE-HORNED SINCE. WHOLE PLACE WENT UP AS WE WENT IN.
SO ELLIOT'S STILL IN THERE?
IT'S POSSIBLE. SIR. PROBABLE I GUESS. I
WE HAVE A REAR FROM CASEY HENNESSY. MASKED UNKNOWN MESSAGE READS: BE WARE WHEN I COME TO KILL YOU SHE IS ARMED WITH A SILVER KNIFE. SHE IS A FIRE HEART.
MAKE SIX KNIFE
ENOUGH.
SO IT IS A SHE THAT'S PROVIDED AT LEAST

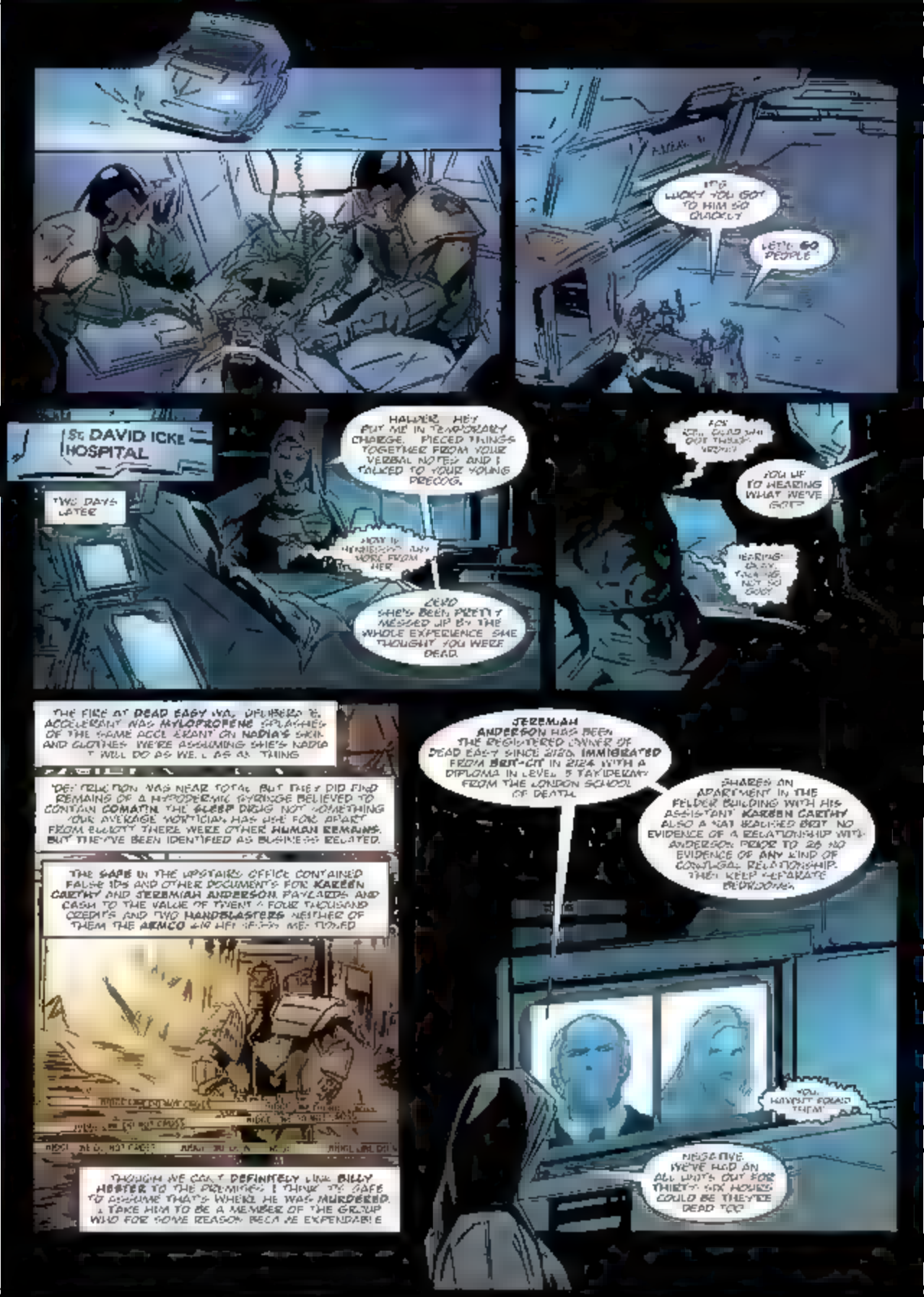
IT'LL BRING A LUMP TO YOUR THROAT!
SO MUCH BLOOD ON THIS MANS HANDS.
SIR - -
DREAD

A PASSING JUDGE INTERCEPTS THE SHOT MEANT FOR DREDD
GET DOWN!
THE SECOND FIRES A LITTLE BETTER
UNNH!
HALF-BLINDED BY BLOOD AND BRAIN MATTER DREDD CAN'T BANK ON ACCURACY
BDAM BDAM BDAM
BUT HEATSEEKERS FIND THEIR MARK

THERE HE GOES!
IT'S A WOMAN!
CEASE FIRING!
SIR LET ME LOOK AT THAT

LATER. TEND TO ANGER
ONE LAST CHANCE
SHE'S DEAD.
DO NOT TENSE UP. DO NOTHING TO BETRAY YOUR INTENTIONS. PREPARE YOURSELF
WHO WAS SHE SIR?
NADIA I ASSUME.
THEN MOVE SO SWIFTLY YOUR HAND IS JUST A BLUR
- AND THE OLD DEVIL DOESN'T REACT SO QUICKLY ANYMORE

TAKE HER DOWN!
HER WORK IS NOT FINISHED ONE GOOD TWIST OF THE BLADE
DAMN! SHE'S SOLID STEEL
BUT THE OPPORTUNITY NEVER COMES.
MED WAGON! NOW!


IT'S LUCKY YOU GOT TO HIM SO QUICKLY
LET'S GO PEOPLE
St DAVID ICKE HOSPITAL
TWO DAYS LATER
HALDER. HEY. PUT ME IN TEMPORARY CHARGE. PIECED THINGS TOGETHER FROM YOUR VERBAL NOTES AND I TALKED TO YOUR YOUNG PROTOG.
HOW IS HENRIETTA? ANY WORD FROM HER
ZERO SHE'S BEEN PRETTY MESSED UP BY THE WHOLE EXPERIENCE. SHE THOUGHT YOU WERE DEAD.
ICK ICK... DEAD WAS NOT THAT WRONG
YOU UP TO HEARING WHAT WE'VE GOT?
HEARING OKAY. YOU'RE NOT SO GOOD
THE FIRE AT DEAD EASY WAS DELIBERATE. ACCELERANT WAS MYLOPROPENE SPLASHES OF THE SAME ACCELERANT ON NADIA'S SKIN AND CLOTHES. WE'RE ASSUMING SHE'S NADIA T WILL DO AS WE L AS AS THING
DESTRUCTION WAS NEAR TOTAL BUT THEY DID FIND REMAINS OF A HYPODERMIC SYRINGE BELIEVED TO CONTAIN COMATIN THE SLEEP DRUG NOT SOMETHING YOUR AVERAGE MORTICIAN HAS ONE FOR. APART FROM BULLOTT THERE WERE OTHER HUMAN REMAINS. BUT THEY'VE BEEN IDENTIFIED AS BUSINESS RELATED.
THE SAFE IN THE UPSTAIRS OFFICE CONTAINED FALSE IDS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS FOR KAREEN CARTHY AND JEREMIAH ANDERSON. PAYCARDS AND CASH TO THE VALUE OF TWENTY FOUR THOUSAND CREDITS AND TWO HANDBLASTERS NEITHER OF THEM THE ARMCO GUN HE'S BEEN MET TO.
THOUGH WE CAN'T DEFINITELY LINK BILLY HOSTER TO THE PREMISES I THINK IT'S SAFE TO ASSUME THAT'S WHERE HE WAS MURDERED. I TAKE HIM TO BE A MEMBER OF THE GROUP WHO FOR SOME REASON BECAME EXPENDABLE
JEREMIAH ANDERSON HAS BEEN THE REGISTERED OWNER OF DEAD EASY SINCE 2120. IMMIGRATED FROM BRIT-CIT IN 2124 WITH A DIPLOMA IN LEVEL 5 TAKEAWAY FROM THE LONDON SCHOOL OF DEATH.
SHARES AN APARTMENT IN THE FELDER BUILDING WITH HIS ASSISTANT KAREEN CARTHY ALSO A NAT BORN BUT NO EVIDENCE OF A RELATIONSHIP WITH ANDERSON. PRIOR TO 28 NO EVIDENCE OF ANY KIND OF CONJUGAL RELATIONSHIP. THEY KEEP SEPARATE BEDROOMS.
YOU HAVEN'T FOUND THEM
NEGATIVE. WE'VE HAD AN ALL UNITS OUT FOR THIRTY SIX HOURS. COULD BE THEY'RE DEAD TOO

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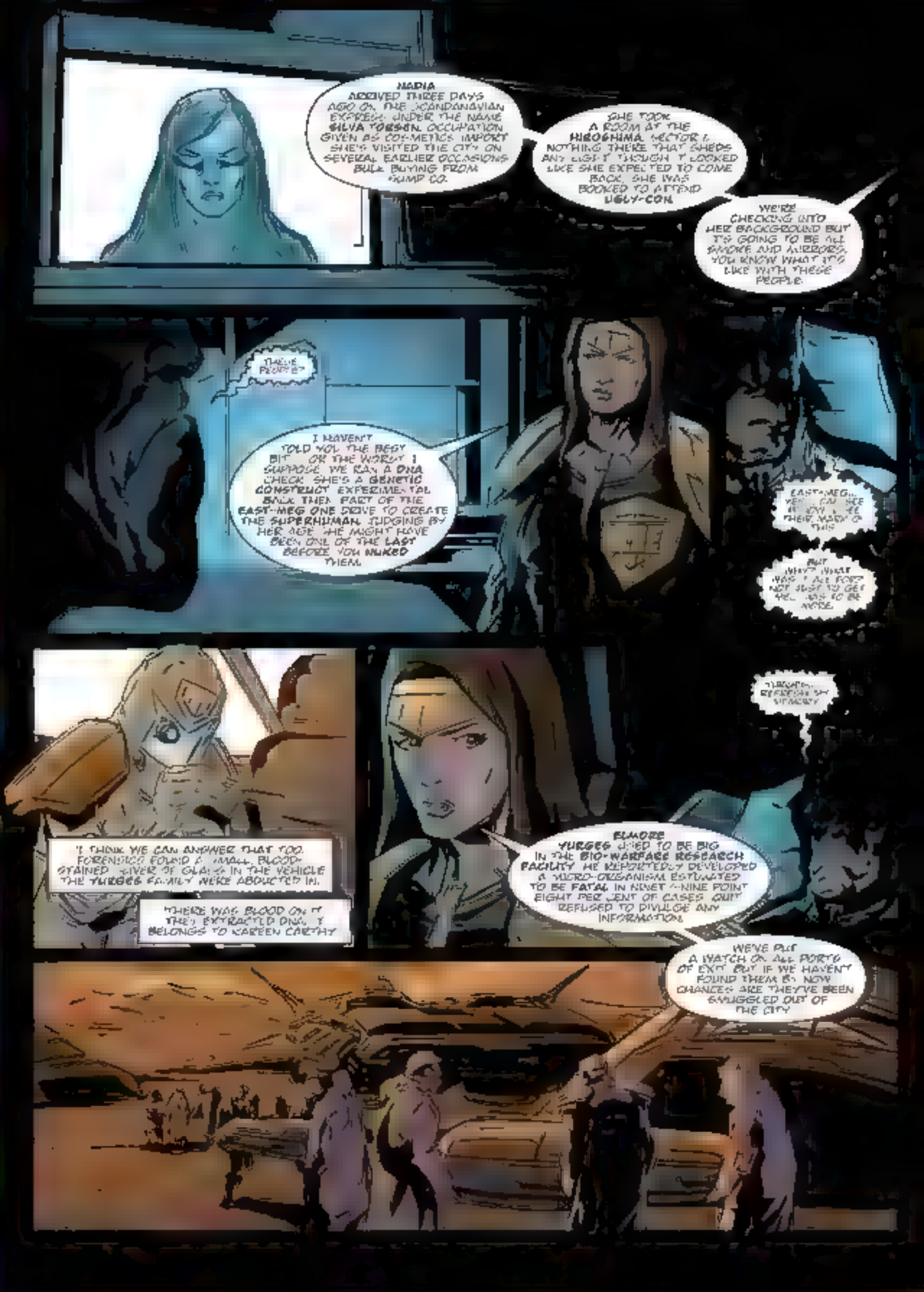
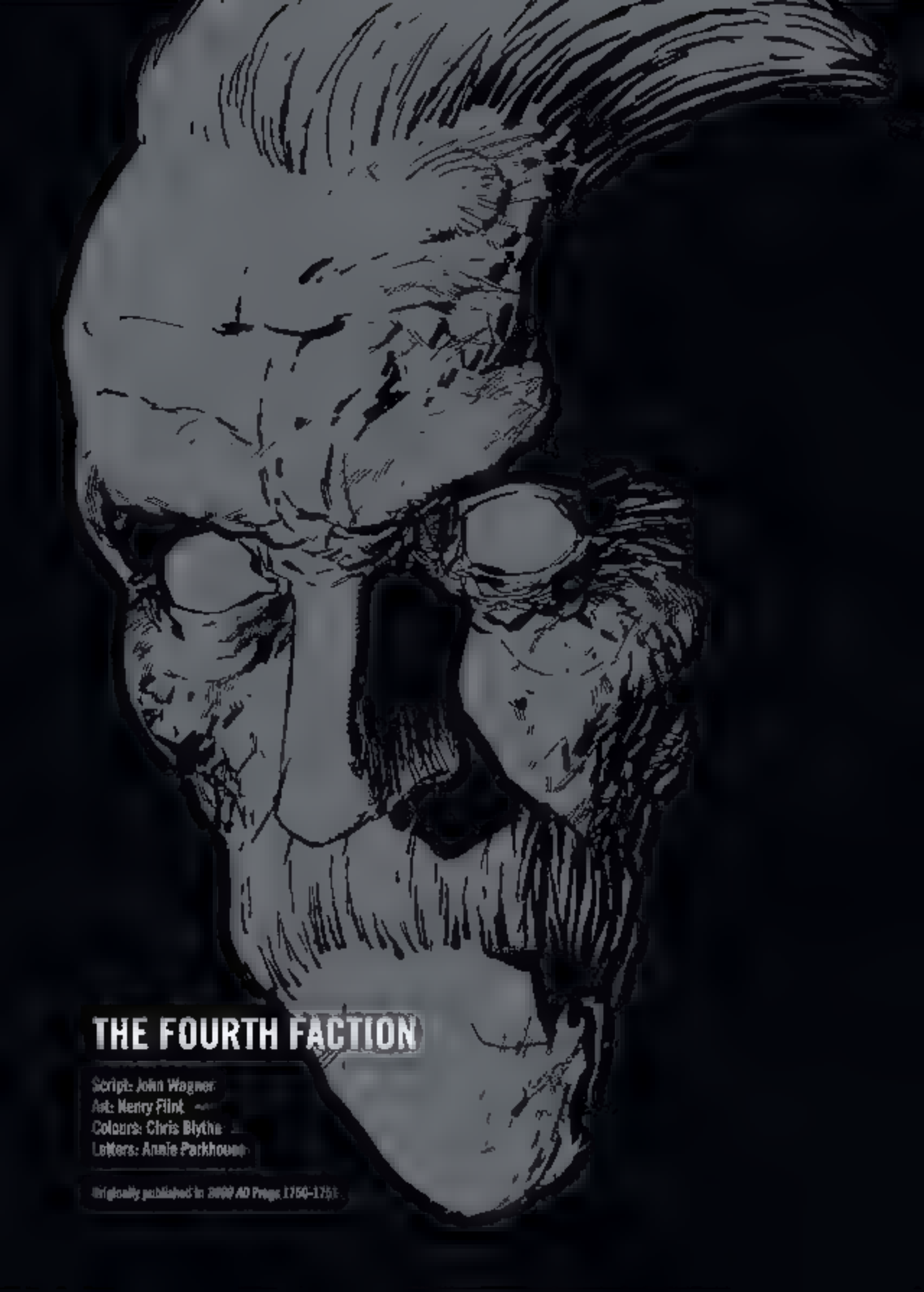

NADIA ARRIVED THREE DAYS AGO ON THE SCANDANAVIAN EXPRESS UNDER THE NAME SILVA TORSEN. OCCUPATION GIVEN AS COSMETICS IMPORT SHE'S VISITED THE CITY ON SEVERAL EARLIER OCCASIONS BULK BUYING FROM JUMP CO.
SHE TOOK A ROOM AT THE HIROSHIMA. HECTOR I NOTHING THERE THAT SHEDS ANY LIGHT THOUGH I LOOKED LIKE SHE EXPECTED TO COME BACK. SHE WAS BOOKED TO ATTEND UGLY-CON.
WE'RE CHECKING INTO HER BACKGROUND BUT IT'S GOING TO BE ALL SMOKE AND MIRRORS, YOU KNOW WHAT IT'S LIKE WITH THESE PEOPLE.
THANK PEOPLE?
I HAVEN'T TOLD YOU THE BEST BIT ... OH THE WORST I SUPPOSE. WE RAN A DNA CHECK. SHE'S A GENETIC CONSTRUCT EXPERIMENTAL BULK THEN PART OF THE EAST-MEG ONE DRIVE TO CREATE THE SUPERHUMAN. JUDGING BY HER AGE SHE MIGHT HAVE BEEN ONE OF THE LAST BEFORE YOU NUKED THEM.
EAST-MEG... YES... CAN SEE HOW YOU'D SEE THEIR VIEW OF THIS
BUT WHAT WAS IT ALL FOR? NOT JUST TO GET YOU LOT TO BE NICE.
I THINK WE CAN ANSWER THAT TOO. FORENSICS FOUND A SMALL BLOOD-STAINED SLIVER OF GLASS IN THE VEHICLE THE TURGES FAMILY WERE ABDUCTED IN.
THERE WAS BLOOD ON IT THEY EXTRACTED DNA. IT BELONGS TO KAREEN CARTHY
ELMORE TURGES USED TO BE BIG IN THE BIO-WARFARE RESEARCH FACILITY. HE REPORTEDLY DEVELOPED A MICRO-ORGANISM ESTIMATED TO BE FATAL IN NINETY-NINE POINT EIGHT PER CENT OF CASES. BUT REFUSED TO DIVULGE ANY INFORMATION.
TURGES... REMEMBER MY MEMORY
WE'VE PUT A WATCH ON ALL PORTS OF EXIT. BUT IF WE HAVEN'T FOUND THEM BY NOW CHANCES ARE THEY'VE BEEN SMUGGLED OUT OF THE CITY



THE FOURTH FACTION

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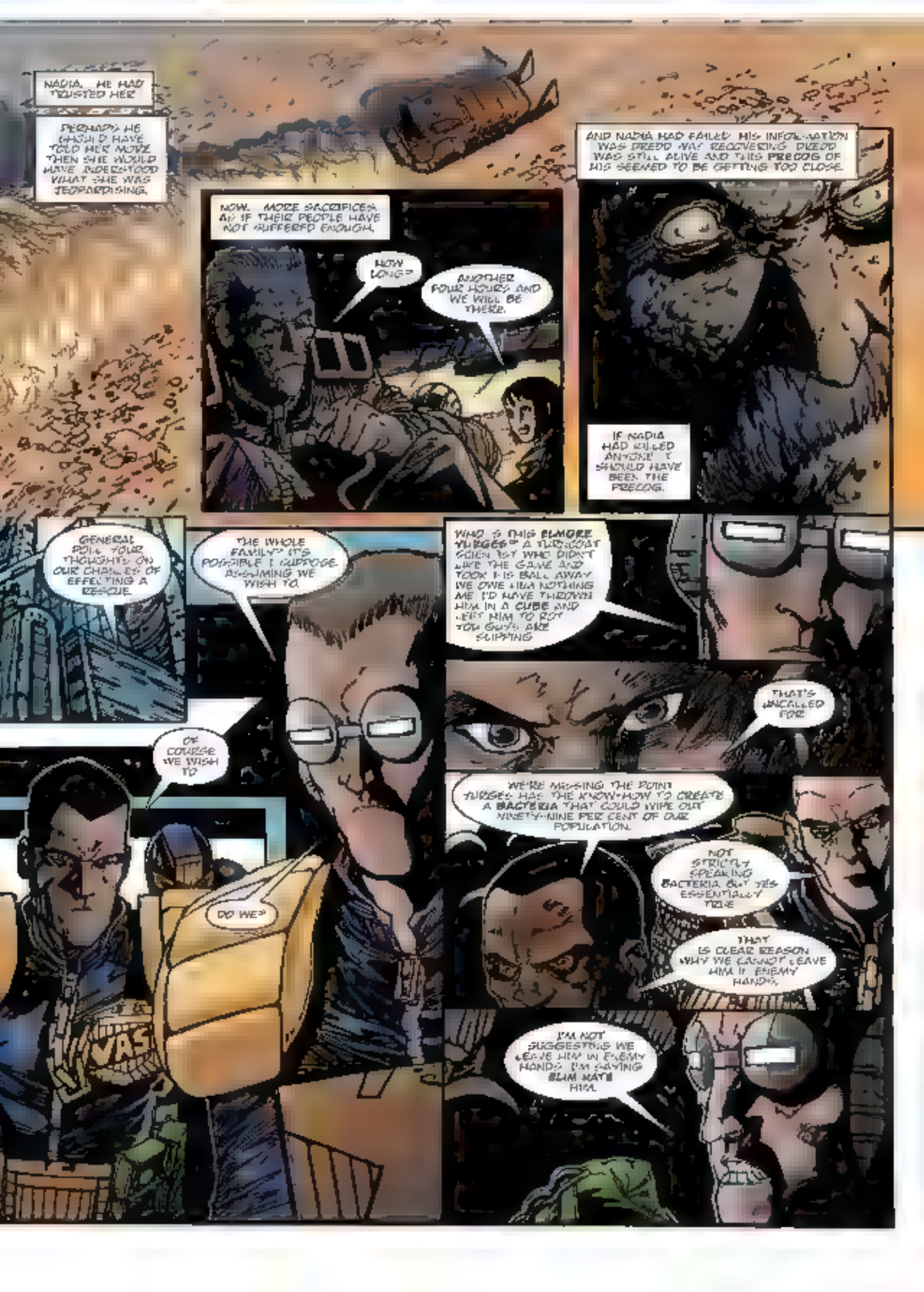
THEY BROKE DOWN 20 THE PLAIN SOUTH OF NOVIGRAD.
THE OLD TRABANT
HOVERJETS ARE CLOGGED. I'LL HAVE TO REAM THE FILTERS.
HOW LONG?
HALF AN HOUR AT MOST COLONEL.
WE'RE TOO FAR AWAY YEVGENY
NEVER TOO FAR AWAY GALINA. IN OUR HEARTS
I MEAN YOU COULDN'T SEE IT FROM HERE. THE CITY IF YOU COULD SEE.
IT'S ONLY DEPRESSING ANYWAY I CRY EVERY TIME I THINK OF IT
HE REMEMBERED THAT DAY SO WELL. HOW COULD HE FORGET IT?
I'LL NEVER FIX THIS SIR.
DAMNED IRRITATING.
HEAP OF DUNG. SIR. SHOULD NEVER HAVE REVIVED THEM.
I'LL CALL THE BUREAU.
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
HE'D HAD ANOTHER TRABANT ONCE. WE STAFF CAR. A LITTLE V WING THAT COULD BARELY GET OFF THE GROUND, THAT CHUGGED AND CHOOK AND RATTLED LIKE A STEAM ENGINE.

SHEKOV'S SHROUD!
SIR! LOOK AWAY
I SEE IT AS A MERE SKIRMISH, GOING IN A WAR THAT IS NOT YET OVER
I'LL WAIT IN THE TEABANT

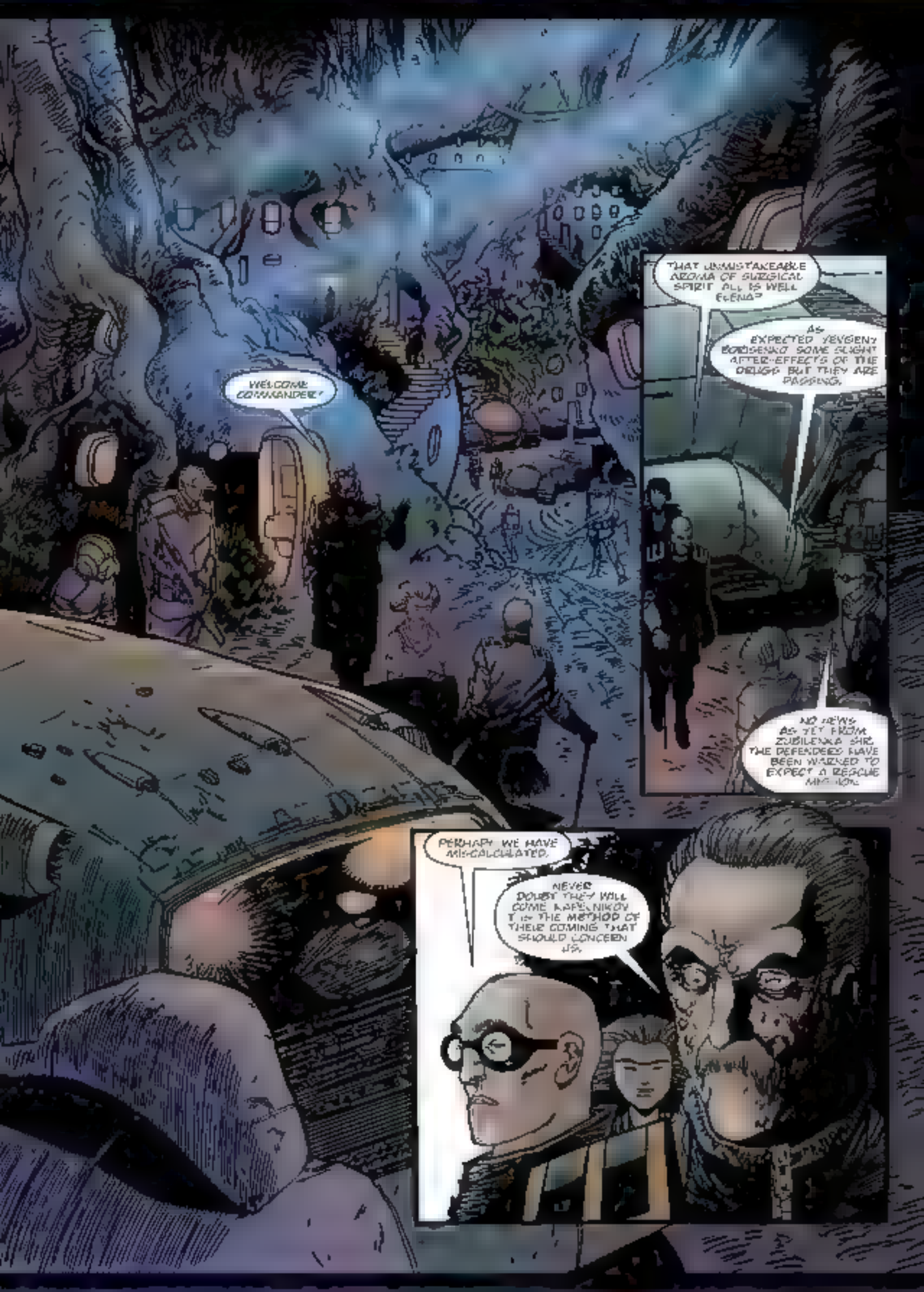
GRAND HALL OF JUSTICE
WHAT EVIDENCE WE HAVE SUGGESTS THE TURGES FAMILY WAS SMUGGLED OUT OF THE CITY IN CASKETS. DRUGGED.
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE STRATEGIC DEFENCE COMMITTEE -
YOU'RE SURE THEY'RE OUT OF THE CITY AT ALL ? WE'VE BEEN KEEPING A CLOSE EYE ON ALL PORTS OF EXIT
SADLY RATHER TOO LATE IN THE DAY THE ABDUCTORS WERE GEARED TO MOVE FAST
DREDD -
HE INSISTED ON GETTING IN ON OPERATION ON THE LARDAX YESTERDAY STILL NOT PERMITTED TO SPEAK
OF COURSE DREDD, GOOD TO SEE YOU UP AND ABOUT
GET HIM A CHAIR
DREDD
WE BELIEVE THE CASKETS WERE BROUGHT IN VIA ONE OF THE BALTIC DOCKS AND DRIVEN EAST BY PRIVATE HAULER QUITE A FEW SYMPATHISERS OPERATE OUT OF THE BALDOCKS. WE PUT OUT WORD TO EVERY AGENT ON THE GROUND.
LAST WEEK WE RECEIVED A MESSAGE FROM THE AGENT CODE-NAMED GORKY. HE'D NOTICED INCREASED ACTIVITY IN AND AROUND THE DP SETTLEMENT THEY CALL ZUDILENKA -
A LARGE INFLUX OF ARMED MILITIA CAMPED IN AND AROUND THIS FORTIFIED COMPOUND HERE
THESE IMAGES ARE TAKEN FROM SPACE. WE NEEDED TO FIND OUT MORE, WE ASKED GORKY TO TRY TO GET INSIDE. THIS HE WAS RELUCTANT TO DO UNDERSTANDABLY HE DID HOWEVER MANAGE TO BRIBE ONE OF THE MILITIA.

YESTERDAY WE RECEIVED THESE PICTURES.
WE'VE HAD THEM EXPERTLY EXAMINED. THE GASKETS ARE FISHER AUTO. MEGA CITY ONE NO LONGER MANUFACTURE A MODEL DEAD EASY WIDELY FREQUENTLY INDEED. THERE WERE FOUR LISTED IN THEIR STOCK INVENTORY.
AND THESE WERE IN THE COMPOUND?
YES. CHIEF JUDGE IN A STOREROOM THERE. OF COURSE WE CAN'T EXAMINE THEM FORENSICALLY BUT THERE'S MORE.
THEN THERE CAN'T BE ANY DOUBT.
DAMN SONS THEY NEVER LEARN.
WHAT DO WE KNOW ABOUT THE PEOPLE HOLDING THEM?
I APOLOGISE FOR THE QUALITY OF THE IMAGES BUT I THINK WE CAN BE FAIRLY SURE THAT IT ELMORE JUDGES.
DEMELDA TUGGES AND HER SONS APPEAR TO BE KEPT SEPARATELY
YEVGENY BORISENKO CODENAME GALAXY
AS YOU KNOW, AFTER THE DESTRUCTION OF EAST MEG ONE THE REMNANTS OF THEIR MILITARY AND INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY SPLIT INTO FOUR SEPARATE GROUPS. THREE OF THEM LATER FORMED A LOOSE ALLIANCE AND CONTINUE TO PRESENT THE OCCASIONAL PROBLEM.
THE FOURTH FACTION UNDER BORISENKO HAS BEEN RELATIVELY QUIET UP TILL NOW.
BORISENKO IS KNOWN AS A PLANNER A LONG TERM STRATEGIST A COLONEL IN INTELLIGENCE BEFORE THE WAR HE WAS THE LINKED WITH THE MILITARY'S GM PROGRAMME
THIS WOULD TIE IN WITH NADIA YOUR WOULD-BE ASSASSIN DREDD.


NADIA... HE HAD TRUSTED HER
PERHAPS HE SHOULD HAVE TOLD HER MORE THEN SHE WOULD HAVE UNDERSTOOD WHAT SHE WAS JEOPARDISING.
NOW... MORE SACRIFICES. AS IF THEIR PEOPLE HAVE NOT SUFFERED ENOUGH.
HOW LONG?
ANOTHER FOUR HOURS AND WE WILL BE THERE.
AND NADIA HAD FAILED. HIS INFORMATION WAS DREDD WAS RECOVERING DREDD WAS STILL ALIVE AND THIS PRECOG OF HIS SEEMED TO BE GETTING TOO CLOSE.
IF NADIA HAD KILLED ANYONE I SHOULD HAVE BEEN THE PRECOG.
GENERAL PO'E YOUR THOUGHTS ON OUR CHANCES OF EFFECTING A RESCUE.
THE WHOLE FAMILY? IT'S POSSIBLE I SUPPOSE. ASSUMING WE WISH TO.
WHO IS THIS ELMORE NUGGET? A TURNCOAT SCIENTIST WHO DIDN'T LIKE THE GAME AND TOOK HIS BALL AWAY. WE OWE HIM NOTHING. ME I'D HAVE THROWN HIM IN A CUBE AND LEFT HIM TO ROT. YOU GUYS ARE SLIPPING.
THAT'S UNCALLED FOR.
OF COURSE WE WISH TO.
DO WE?
WE'RE MISSING THE POINT. NUGGET HAS THE KNOW-HOW TO CREATE A BACTERIA THAT COULD WIPE OUT NINETY-NINE PER CENT OF OUR POPULATION.
NOT STRICTLY SPEAKING BACTERIA, BUT YES ESSENTIALLY TRUE.
THAT IS CLEAR REASON WHY WE CANNOT LEAVE HIM IN ENEMY HANDS.
I'M NOT SUGGESTING WE LEAVE HIM IN ENEMY HANDS. I'M SAYING BLAM HATE HIM.
VAS

LET ME EXPLAIN. IT TO YOU THE COMPOUND IS CRAWLING WITH ARMED FIGHTERS - I AND TROOPERS IN THERE WE'RE GOING TO LOSE PLENTY AND I MEAN PLENTY AND THE RUSSKIES WILL PROBABLY KILL THE WHOLE FAMILY ANYWAY OUT OF SPITE.
WISHER HERE'S GOT A STRATO-CRAFT OVERHEAD NOW HE CAN GUARANTEE NO ONE LEAVES THAT COMPOUND ALIVE.
A COUPLE OF PHOTON TORPEDOES AND THE JOB'S DONE QUICK CLINICAL NO RISK TO OUR OWN PEOPLE
IT'S A QUESTION OF BALANCE MY BOYS LIVES AGAINST A BUNCH OF PINKOS WHO DIDN'T KNOW WHERE THEIR LOYALTIES LAY - AND FRANKLY I'M NOT WILLING TO SEE MY BOYS DIE FOR THAT
WE KNOW WHERE THEY ARE WE DON'T HAVE TIME TO DILLY DALLY WE HAVE TO ACT NOW. WHAT'S YOUR DECISION?
IT'S HARD TO ARGUE WITH YOUR LOGIC GENERAL BUT THE WIFE THE CHILDREN NO MATTER WHAT YOU THINK OF SO MORE JUDGES THEY'RE TOTALLY INNOCENT
IT SEEMS HARSH AND YET... FACED WITH THE ALTERNATIVE
WE HAVE OVER FOUR HUNDRED MILLION CITIZENS, THROW THEIR LIVES IN TO THE EQUATION AND POLL'S ARGUMENT IS IRREFUTABLE. MAY I SUGGEST CHIEF JUDGE THAT WE TAKE A SHOW OF HANDS.
THAT'S ALMOST UNANIMOUS DREDD? YOU'RE AGAINST?
WHAT - THE MAN WHO NUKED EAST-MEG ONE HAS QUALMS?
DISAGREE IN THIS CASE, I THINK OUR INFORMATION IS ABSOLUTELY RELIABLE.
CHIEF JUDGE THE VOTE IS OVERWHELMING, MAY WE TAKE IT THIS MISSION IS GO?
UNITS ON THE GROUND- THE ONLY WAY TO BE SURE.
DREDD

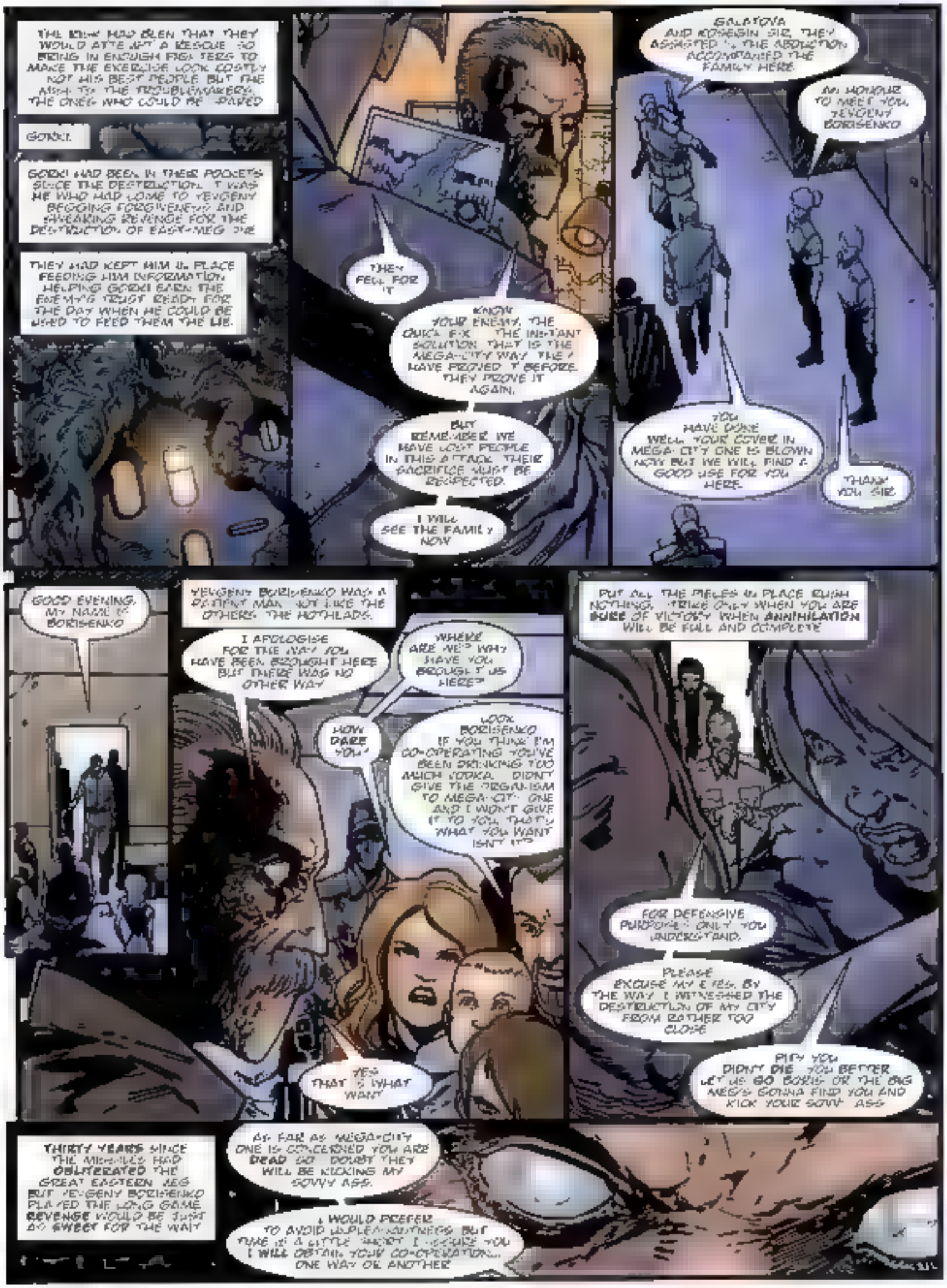
THEY REACHED THE FOREST BEFORE DARK ALL DAY WITHOUT ANOTHER BREAKDOWN. UNTIL AT LAST THE TREES CLOSED IN AROUND THEM.
GALAXY. REPEAT GALAXY.


WELCOME COMMANDER!
THAT UNMISTAKEABLE AROMA OF SURGICAL SPIRIT ALL IS WELL ELENA?
AS EXPECTED YEVGENY BORISENKO SOME SLIGHT AFTER-EFFECTS OF THE DRUGS BUT THEY ARE PASSING.
NO NEWS AS YET FROM ZUBILENKA SIR. THE DEFENDERS HAVE BEEN WARNED TO EXPECT A RESCUE MISSION.
PERHAPS WE HAVE MIS-CALCULATED.
NEVER DOUBT THEY WILL COME KAPELNIKOV IT IS THE METHOD OF THEIR COMING THAT SHOULD CONCERN US.

DREDD LEAVES THE MEETING WITHOUT FURTHER COMMENT THAT'S ALL KNOW WHERE HE STANDS
I REPEAT IT'S ELEVEN TO ONE
I HAVE TO CONFESS I'M NEVER THAT COMFORTABLE ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE OF AN ARGUMENT TO DREDD
GOT TO AGREE WHATEVER YOU THINK OF THE MAN HE HAS AN INSTINCT FOR THINGS I'VE SEEN IT TIME AND TIME AGAIN
GRUDGY BLOOD THEY'RE TURNING INTO A RIGHT BUNCH OF PANTY PADS IN JUSTICE DEPARTMENT
THERE'S NO CALL FOR THAT POLL MODERATE YOUR LANGUAGE
APOLOGIES, CHIEF JUDGE I GET A LITTLE HOT UNDER THE COLLAR, AS I SEE IT THE FACTS ARE VERY SIMPLE ELMORE YURGES CAN CREATE A BUG THAT'LL WIPE OUT EVERYONE IN THIS CITY ELIMINATE HIM AND THE PROBLEM GOES AWAY
WE KNOW THE BOYS ARE HOLDING HIM IN THEIR COMPOUND IN ZUBLENKA WE WAIT ANY LONGER AND THEY COULD MOVE HIM - AND WE'RE DEBATING THE MATTER?
DETROIT THIS AGE IT OF YOURS GORGA CAN HE BE TRUSTED?
HE'S BEEN WITH US FOR MORE THAN THIRTY YEARS, SIR SINCE BEFORE THE WAR, HIS INFORMATION HAS ALWAY BEEN ACCURATE
VERY WELL WASHER GIVE YOUR STRATO-CRAFT THE ORDER TO PROCEED
IN THE FAMILY, THAT WOMAN AND HER BOYS THEY'RE HOLDING THEM TOO TO JUST BROW THEM APART CAN THAT BE RIGHT?
SOMETIMES WE ARE FORCED TO CHOOSE THE LESSER OF EVILS POLL HAS A POINT WE WOULD SUFFER HEAVY LOSSES IN ANY RESCUE ATTEMPT, AND THEIR CAPTORS WOULD PROBABLY KILL THE WHOLE FAMILY ANYWAY

WHO MOVED THIS FURNITURE?
YOUNG POPOV SIR. HE'S BEEN CLEANING WHILE YOU WERE AWAY.
IN FUTURE SEE THAT NO ONE IS ALLOWED IN UNLESS GALINA IS HERE TO SUPERVISE.
YES SIR. SORRY SIR.
I WOULD HAVE BEEN BETTER HAD NADIA NOT DISOBEYED ORDERS.
SO YOU HAVE SAID YEVGENY
BETTER THAT THEY DID NOT KNOW WHO WAS MOULDING ELMORE ARGES. HOW TRUE THE OLD MAXIM NO PLAN SURVIVES CONTACT WITH THE ENEMY
AND YEVGENY BONDARENKO WOULD NOT BE THE MAN HE WAS UNLESS HE HAD PREPARED FOR IT

OF COURSE THE ENEMY WOULD NOT REST UNTIL THEY FOUND YURGES. SO GIVE THEM WHAT THEY WANT
THEY RIGHT IN, SIR.
IT IS FROM IVAN, A PHOTOGRAPH OF THE COMPOUND IN ZIRALENKA. EXCEPT THERE IS NO COMPOUND
HUH! IF WE HAD SUCH FIREPOWER!


THE PLAN HAD BEEN THAT THEY WOULD ATTEMPT A RESCUE TO BRING IN ENOUGH FIGHTERS TO MAKE THE EXERCISE LOOK COSTLY NOT HIS BEST PEOPLE BUT THE MISFITS THE TROUBLEMAKERS THE ONES WHO COULD BE SPARED
GORKI.
GORKI HAD BEEN IN THESE POCKETS SINCE THE DESTRUCTION. IT WAS HE WHO HAD COME TO YEVGENY BEGGING FORGIVENESS AND SPEAKING REVENGE FOR THE DESTRUCTION OF EAST-MEG ONE
THEY HAD KEPT HIM IN PLACE FEEDING HIM INFORMATION HELPING GORKI EARN THE ENEMY'S TRUST READY FOR THE DAY WHEN HE COULD BE USED TO FEED THEM THE LIE.
THEY FELL FOR IT
KNOW YOUR ENEMY, THE QUICK FIX THE INSTANT SOLUTION THAT IS THE MEGA-CITY WAY THEY HAVE PROVED IT BEFORE THEY PROVE IT AGAIN.
BUT REMEMBER WE HAVE LOST PEOPLE IN THIS ATTACK THEIR SACRIFICE MUST BE RESPECTED.
I WILL SEE THE FAMILY NOW
GALAKOVA AND KOVESIN SIR, THEY ASSISTED IN THE ABDUCTION ACCOMPANIED THE FAMILY HERE.
AN HONOUR TO MEET YOU, YEVGENY BORISENKO
YOU HAVE DONE WELL. YOUR COVER IN MEGA-CITY ONE IS BLOWN NOW BUT WE WILL FIND A GOOD USE FOR YOU HERE.
THANK YOU SIR.
GOOD EVENING, MY NAME IS BORISENKO
YEVGENY BORISENKO WAS A PATIENT MAN, NOT LIKE THE OTHERS. THE HOTHEADS.
I APOLOGISE FOR THE WAY YOU HAVE BEEN BROUGHT HERE BUT THERE WAS NO OTHER WAY
WHERE ARE WE? WHY HAVE YOU BROUGHT US HERE?
HOW DARE YOU!
LOOK BORISENKO IF YOU THINK I'M CO-OPERATING YOU'VE BEEN DRINKING TOO MUCH VODKA. DIDN'T GIVE THE ORGANISM TO MEGA-CITY ONE AND I WON'T GIVE IT TO YOU THAT'S WHAT YOU WANT ISN'T IT?
THAT IS WHAT WE WANT
PUT ALL THE PIECES IN PLACE RUSH NOTHING. PRACTICE ONLY WHEN YOU ARE SURE OF VICTORY WHEN ANNIHILATION WILL BE FULL AND COMPLETE
FOR DEFENSIVE PURPOSES ONLY YOU UNDERSTAND.
PLEASE EXCUSE MY ERROR BY THE WAY I WITNESSED THE DESTRUCTION OF MY CITY FROM RATHER TOO CLOSE
PITY YOU DIDN'T DIE YOU BETTER LET US GO BORIS OR THE BIG MEG'S GONNA FIND YOU AND KICK YOUR SOVVY ASS
THIRTY YEARS SINCE THE MEGA-CITY HAD OBLITERATED THE GREAT EASTERN MEG BUT YEVGENY BORISENKO PLAYED THE LONG GAME REVENGE WOULD BE JUST AS SWEET FOR THE WAIT
AS FAR AS MEGA-CITY ONE IS CONCERNED YOU ARE DEAD SO NO DOUBT THEY WILL BE KICKING MY SOVVY ASS.
I WOULD PREFER TO AVOID UNPLEASANTNESS BUT MAKE IT A LITTLE SHORT I ASSURE YOU I WILL OBTAIN YOUR CO-OPERATION... ONE WAY OR ANOTHER

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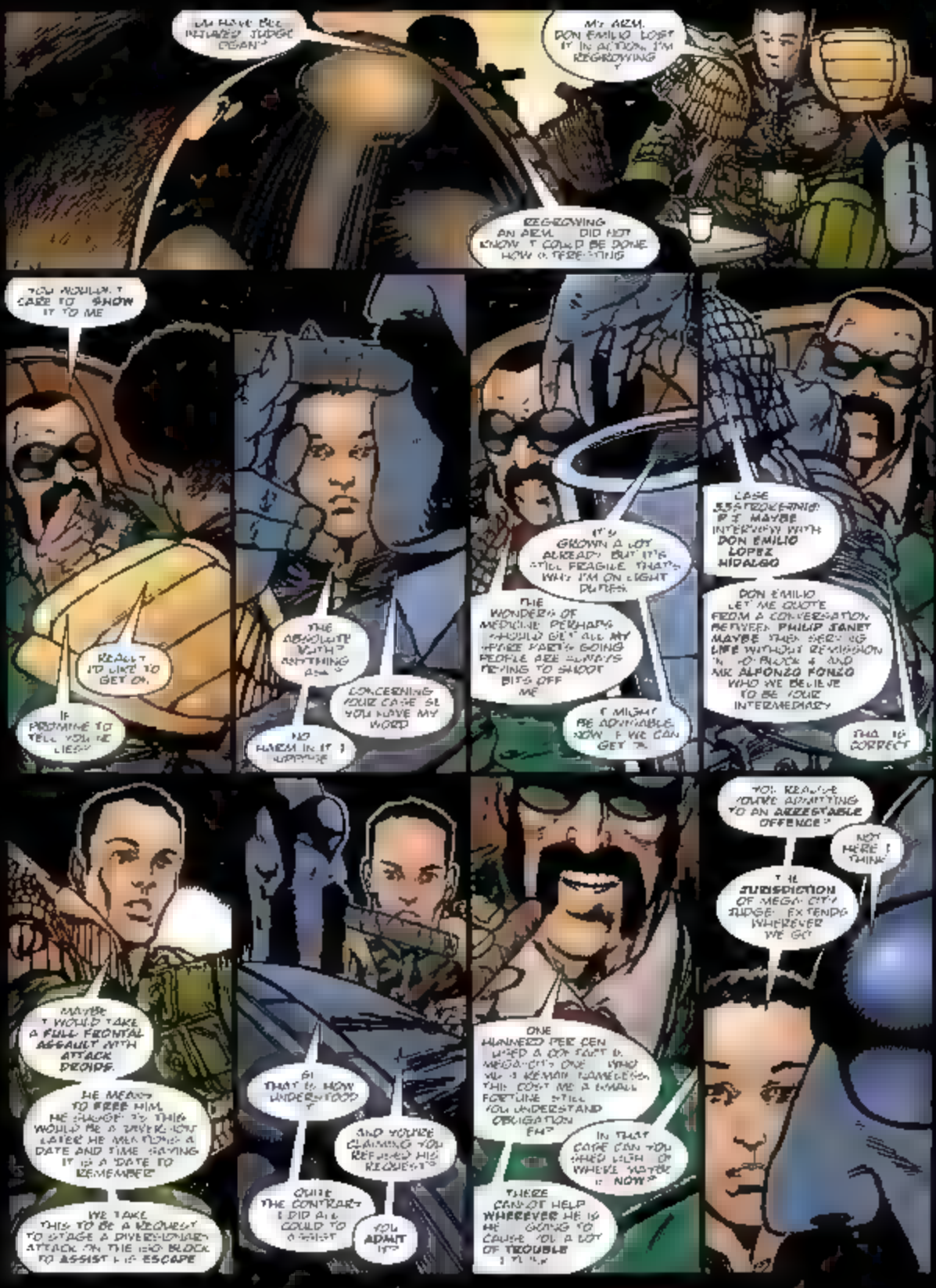
DO HAVE HER INTIMATE JUDGE DEAN?
MY ARM. DON EMILIO LOST IT IN ACTION. I'M REGROWING IT
REGROWING AN ARM. DID NOT KNOW IT COULD BE DONE. HOW IS THERE STUMP
YOU WOULDN'T CARE TO SHOW IT TO ME
REALLY? I'D LIKE TO GET ON.
IF PROMISE TO TELL YOU HE LIES?
THE ABSOLUTE WORST ANYTHING CAN
CONCERNING YOUR CASE SI YOU HAVE MY WORD
NO HARM IN IT I SUPPOSE
IT'S GROWN A LOT ALREADY BUT IT'S STILL FRAGILE THAT'S WHY I'M ON LIGHT DUTIES
THE WONDERS OF MEDICINE PERHAPS SHOULD GET ALL MY SPARE PARTS GOING PEOPLE ARE ALWAYS TRYING TO SHOOT BITS OFF ME
I MIGHT BE AVAILABLE NOW IF WE CAN GET
CASE SJ-STEDGERNIG: P I MAYBE INTERVIEW WITH DON EMILIO LOPEZ HIDALGO
DON EMILIO LET ME QUOTE FROM A CONVERSATION BETWEEN PHILIP JANET MAYBE THEN SEEK US LIFE WITHOUT REVENGE IN NO BLOCK 4 AND MR ALFONZO FONZO WHO WE BELIEVE TO BE YOUR INTERMEDIARY
THAT IS CORRECT
MAYBE I WOULD TAKE A FULL FRONTAL ASSAULT WITH ATTACK DOGS.
HE MEANS TO FREE HIM. HE KNOWS IS THIS WOULD BE A DIVERSION LATER HE MENTIONS A DATE AND TIME SAYING IT IS A DATE TO REMEMBER
WE TAKE THIS TO BE A REQUEST TO STAGE A DIVERSIONARY ATTACK ON THE NO BLOCK TO ASSIST HIS ESCAPE
SO THAT IS HOW UNDERSTOOD?
AND YOU'RE CLAIMING YOU REFUSED HIS REQUEST?
QUITE THE CONTRARY I DID ALL I COULD TO ASSIST
YOU ADMIT IT?
ONE HUNDRED PER CENT USED A QR FACT U MEGA-CITY ONE WHO WE'D REMAIN NAMELESS THIS COST ME A SMALL FORTUNE STILL YOU UNDERSTAND OBLIGATION EH?
IN THAT CASE CAN YOU SHED LIGHT OF WHERE HOTEL IS NOW?
THERE CANNOT HELP WHEREVER HE IS HE GOING TO CAUSE YOU A LOT OF TROUBLE I'LL BET
YOU REALISE YOU'VE ADMITTING TO AN AGGRAVATABLE OFFENCE?
NOT HERE I THINK
THE JURISDICTION OF MEGA-CITY JUDGE EXTENDS WHEREVER WE GO!

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HESITATE TO CONTRADICT A GUEST IN MY HOME JUDGE LOGAN BUT I THINK WE MUST AGREE THERE ARE SOME PLACES WHERE EVEN THE SHORT ARM OF THE LAW CANNOT REACH
YOU TOOK NO FURTHER ACTION AGAINST HIDALGO?
DIDN'T SEEM ADVISABLE
OKAY WE'LL MARK HIM DOWN FOR ATTENTION AT A LATER DATE LET'S CONCENTRATE ON MAYBE
WE'VE BEEN CHECKING OUT BOARDING HOUSES RENTAL ROOMS AND FACE CHANGE PARLOURS ALONG THE ROUTE OF THE MOPAD NOT A LOT ELSE TO WORK WITH REALLY
WE KNOW THAT ON DAY ONE MAYBE ACCESSED INFORMATION ON CITY SURVEILLANCE BLIND SPOTS
THE SAFE BY FAR FROM OUT OF CITY NOT A LOT WE CAN DO TO STOP THEM
THE BODIES IN THE MOPAD BY WEEK TWO THE SMELL WOULD HAVE BEEN UNBEARABLE
GOOD POINT
THE LOCATIONS WERE PROGRAMMED IN TO THE AUTOPILOT OF THE THIRTY THREE DAYS BEFORE THE MOPAD WAS FOUND I VISITED ALL OF THEM SOME OF THEM TWICE
BENNY FIGURED WE SHOULD CONCENTRATE ON STOPS I MADE IN WEEK ONE.

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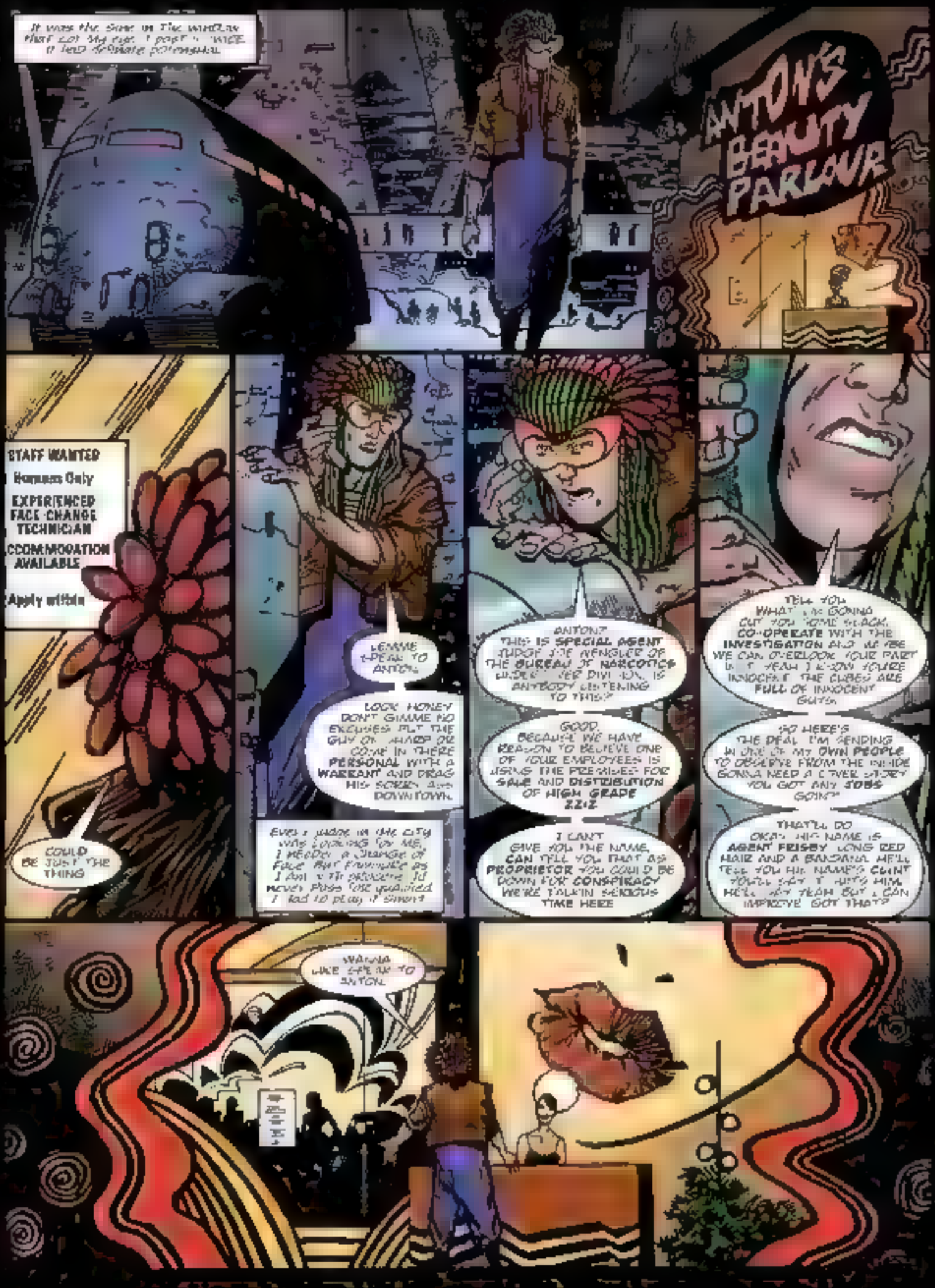
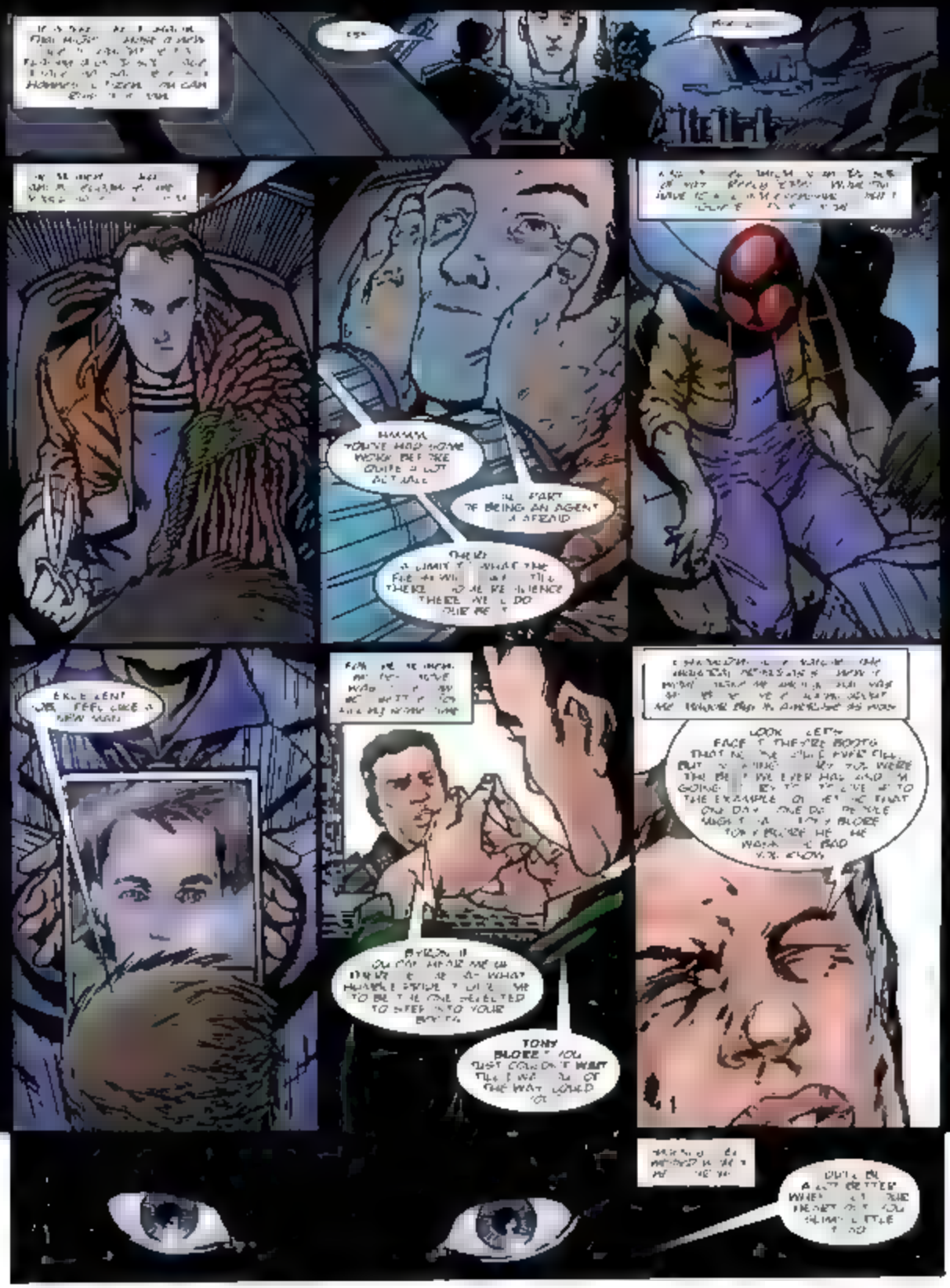

It was the sign in the window that got my eye. I peer in. Nice. It had adequate personnel.
ANTON'S BEAUTY PARLOUR
STAFF WANTED
Humans Only
EXPERIENCED FACE-CHANGE TECHNICIAN
ACCOMMODATION AVAILABLE
Apply within
COULD BE JUST THE THING
LEMME SPEAK TO ANTON.
LOOK HONEY DON'T GIMME NO EXCUSES PUT THE GUY ON AHEAD OR COME IN THERE PERSONAL WITH A WARRANT AND DRAG HIS SCREEN ASS DOWNTOWN.
EVERY JUDGE IN THE CITY WAS LOOKING FOR ME. I NEEDED A CHANGE OF FACE THAT FAVOURITE AS I AM TO THE PROJECTS. I'D NEVER PASS THE QUALIFIED I HAD TO PLAY IT SMART.
ANTON? THIS IS SPECIAL AGENT JUDGE JOE MENGLER OF THE BUREAU OF NARCOTICS UNDER DEEP DIVISION. IS ANYBODY LISTENING TO THIS?
GOOD. BECAUSE WE HAVE REASON TO BELIEVE ONE OF YOUR EMPLOYEES IS USING THE PREMISES FOR SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF HIGH GRADE ZZZ.
I CAN'T GIVE YOU THE NAME, CAN TELL YOU THAT AS PROPRIETOR YOU COULD BE DOWN FOR CONSPIRACY WE'RE TALKIN' SERIOUS TIME HERE
TELL YOU WHAT I'M GOING OUT YOU COME BACK, CO-OPERATE WITH THE INVESTIGATION AND WE BE WE CAN OVERLOOK YOUR PART IN IT YEAH I KNOW YOU'RE INNOCENT THE CUBES ARE FULL OF INNOCENT GUYS.
SO HERE'S THE DEAL I'M SENDING IN ONE OF MY OWN PEOPLE TO OBSERVE FROM THE INSIDE GONNA NEED A COVER STORY YOU GOT ANY JOBS GOIN'?
THAT'LL DO OKAY HIS NAME IS AGENT FRISBY LONG RED HAIR AND A BANDANA WE'LL TELL YOU HIS NAME'S CUNT YOU'LL SAY I HATE HIM WE'LL SAY YEAH BUT I CAN IMPROVE GOT THAT?
WANNA LIKE LIFE UP TO ANTON.

AND WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU?
OH DEAR OH DEAR FEAR VERY LITTLE A WALKING DISASTER ZONE.
COME ABOUT THE JOB MAN.
OH OH WOW FAR OUT ! SKIN-J-RIN 409. WORKED ONE OF THESE LITTLE BEAUTIES FOR THREE YEARS IN KATMANDU THE SPA OF THE ETERNAL HIGHNESS
YOU? WHY THAT'S ONE OF THE PREMIER TREATMENT CENTRES IN THE WORLD
NOT SO PREMIER NOW MAN. NOT SINCE THEY LOST THEIR 5-STAR FACE-FIXER. ALL I WANTED WAS A BIGGER CELL AN A BIT LESS OF THE BELL RINGING KNOW WHAT I MEAN?
HUMPH.
BUT I CAN SEE YOU AND ME ARE GONNA GET ALONG GIVEN THE NAME'S CLINT
PRIVATE
UH, CLINT UH, OH... THAT SHIT'S YOU.
YEAH BUT I CAN IMPROVE. SO HOW ABOUT YOU AN ME DISCUSSING THIS FURTHER WHILE WE CHECK OUT THE ACCOMMODATION?
YEAH, IT AIN'T THE NAGGIN-JAR BUT IT'LL DO
BUT... BUT I REALLY DO NEED A FACE CHANGE TECHNICIAN
WORRY NOT LIKE SAID I'M FULLY QUALIFIED GOT A LITTLE PROBLEM, THOUGH, ANTON. THE SUSPECT I THINK SHE MIGHT HAVE RECOGNISED ME GONNA NEED A FACE CHANGE MYSELF
HERE'S THE PLAN : HIDE UP HERE TODAY AND TONIGHT AFTER HOURS YOU DO THE DEED YOU KNOW HOW TO WORK THE MACHINE?
YES. BUT DEAR BOY
DON'T DEAR BOY ME ANTON. THIS IS SERIOUS BUSINESS. SOMEBODY COULD GET KILLED. DO YOU KNOW IF THE WOMAN IS ARMED?
BU-BUT I DON'T KNOW WHO SHE IS.
NO. OF COURSE YOU DON'T SILLY TESTING. OKAY TOMORROW THE STORY WILL BE YOU GAVE CLINT THE HEAVE AND I'M THE NEW GUY I'M ROBIN.


HMMM. YOU'VE HAD SOME WORK BEFORE QUITE A LOT ACTUALLY
A PART OF BEING AN AGENT IS AFRAID
EXCELLENT JOB. FEEL LIKE A NEW MAN!
BYRON, IF YOU CAN MAKE ME UNDERSTAND WHAT HUMBLE PRIDE IT WILL BE TO BE THE ONE SELECTED TO SLEEP INTO YOUR BOOTS.
TONY BLOKE! YOU JUST COULDN'T WAIT TILL I WAS OUT OF THE WAY, COULD YOU
LOOK, LET'S FACE IT THEY'RE BOOTS THAT NO ONE COULD EVER FILL, BUT YOU KNOW, MY JOB WERE THE BEST WE EVER HAD AND I'M GOING TO TRY TO LIVE UP TO THE EXAMPLE OF THEM THAT ONE DAY ONE OF THESE MUGS I'VE BLOKED FOR A PROMOTE ME AND WORK A BAD YOU KNOW
DUTY IS ALWAYS BETTER WHEN YOU'RE NOT THE ONE DOING IT

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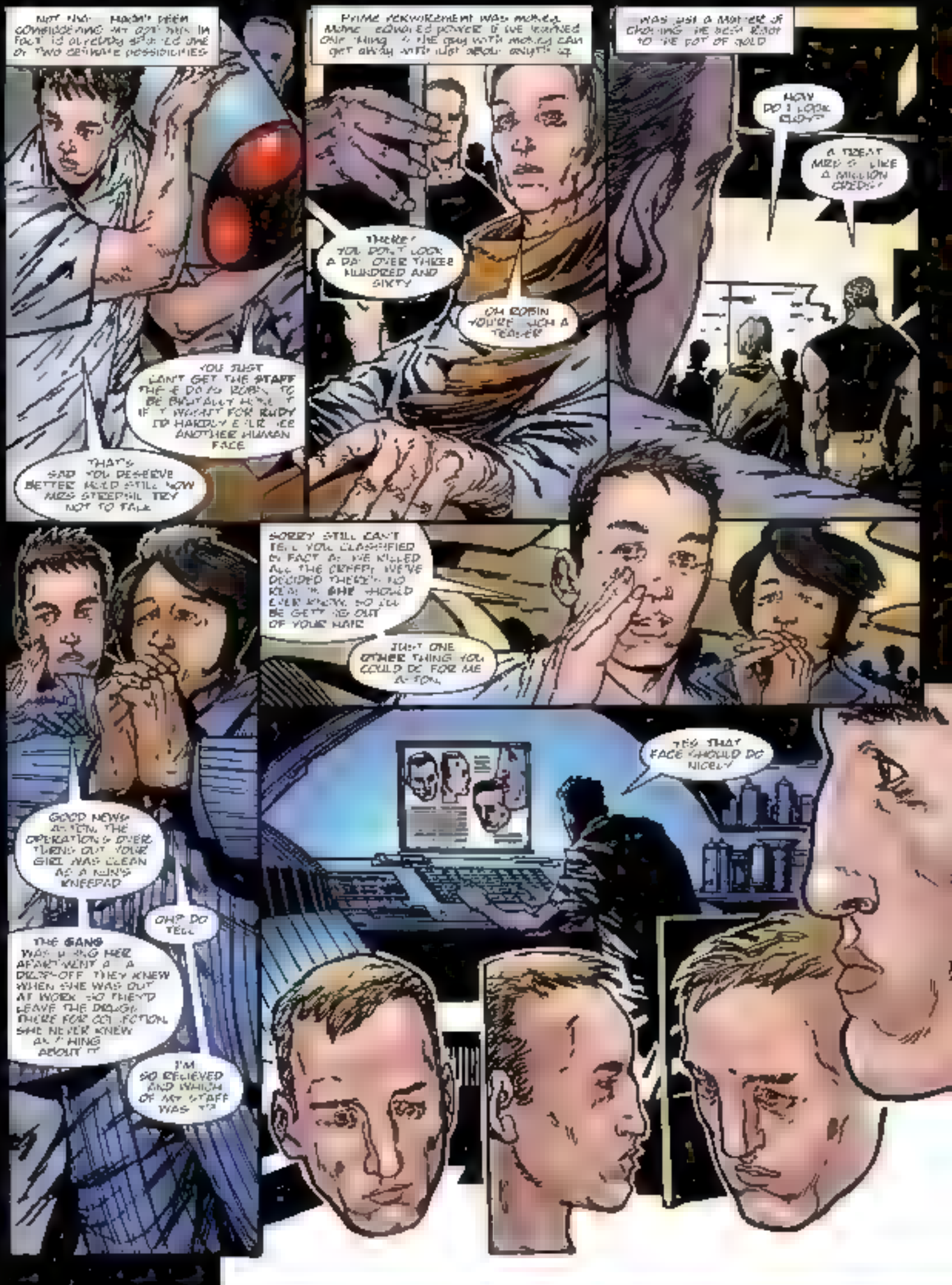
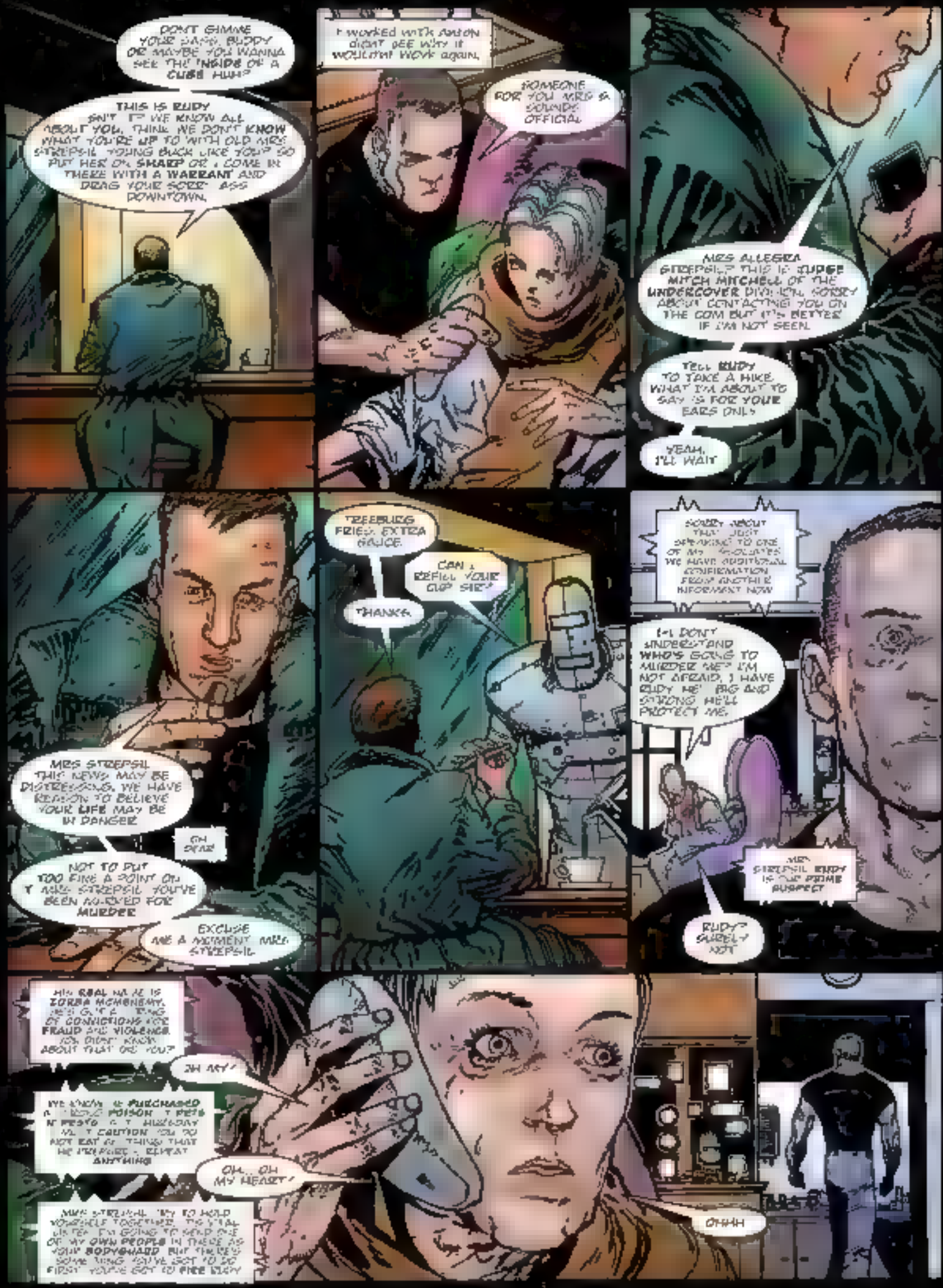
IN THE DAYS THAT FOLLOWED DEREK STARTED TO TURN IN HIS WORST PERFORMANCE I KEPT UP MY PATIENT DENTAL
WE'LL HAVE THOSE UNSIGHTLY LUMPS REMOVED IN A TRICE
HAVING CHANGED MY FACE SO OFTEN, I HAVE DEVELOPED SOME SKILL ON THE MACHINE. EVEN SO MISTAKES DO HAPPEN.
I HURRRTTTT!
NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT
SWITCH IT OFF!
I'M TERRIBLE I SORRY MRS BREWSTER JUST A LITTLE GLITCH. YOU HAVE A NICE CUP OF SOMETHING AND CATCH YOUR BREATH, AND WHEN YOU'RE FINISHED I'LL PUT THINGS RIGHT MYSELF
HOW MUCH LONGER IS THIS GOING TO GO ON?
THE SUSPECT'S PLAYING TO REAL CRAFTY NATURE OF THE GAME JUST HAVE TO KEEP HER UNDER OBSERVATION WAIT FOR THE MISTAKE
WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU JUDGE?
I'M INVESTIGATING THE ESCAPE OF A DANGEROUS CRIMINAL I WANT TO KNOW IF YOU OR ANY OF THE STAFF HAVE SEEN THIS MAN
I DON'T RECOGNISE HIM
HE LOOKS SO GENTLE WHAT DID HE DO?
ISN'T THAT PJ MAYBE THE NOTORIOUS MASS MURDERER?
THAT'S HIM AND BELIEVE ME HE'S ANYTHING BUT GENTLE
WHAT ABOUT YOU TWO? HAVE A GOOD LOOK AT THIS FACE..

PJ MAYBE CHANGES HIS FACE MORE OFTEN THAN HE SOCKS BUT THIS IS WHAT HE LOOKED LIKE WHEN HE ESCAPED
MY GOODNESS TO BE INVOLVED IN A REAL INVESTIGATION
GRIEF
THAT WAS RIGHT IN MY EYES ROBIN
SORRY ANTON I'M CLUMSY ME
COME OVER TO THE SINK WE'LL HAVE TO WASH THOSE EYES OUT
SO THAT'S PJ MAYBE, GOOD-LOOKING FELLOW I'D BE HAPPY TO MEET IF HE CAME IN HERE.
IF HE DOES KNOW ANYTHING WE'LL BE MADDEN IT AND A WORD OF ADVICE DON'T LET HIM GET WIND YOU'RE DOING IT
THE INCIDENT BROUGHT HOME TO ME HOW INCREDIBLY STRONG IF ANTON SAW A PICTURE OF MY FACE I'D BE GONE WOULD BE UP
A VERY HIGH PROFILE OR OF THE HMP PARTY
PJ MAYBE EVIL DOES NOT WEEP
I HAD TO MOVE FAST


NOT YET... HASN'T BEEN CONFIRMING MY OPINION IN FACT IS ALREADY SETTLED ONE OR TWO DEFINITE POSSIBILITIES
YOU JUST CAN'T GET THE STAFF THESE DAYS TO BE SATISFIED WITH IT WASN'T FOR RUDY I'D HARDLY EVER SEE ANOTHER HUMAN FACE
THAT'S SAID YOU DESERVE BETTER HOLD STILL NOW MISS STEEPHILL TRY NOT TO FALL
PRIME MINISTERHIP WAS MORE MONEY EQUATED POWER IF WE WANTED ONE THING A ONE WITH MONEY CAN GET AWAY WITH JUST ABOUT ANYTHING
THERE! YOU DON'T LOOK A DAY OVER THREE HUNDRED AND SIXTY
OH ROBIN YOU'RE SUCH A TEASER
IT WAS JUST A MATTER OF CHOOSING WE BEEN READY TO BE OUT OF GOLD
HOW DO I LOOK DARLING?
A TREAT MEN'S LIKE A MILLION DOLLARS
SORRY STILL CAN'T TELL YOU CLASSIFIED BY FACT AS WE KILLED ALL THE CREEPS WE'VE DECIDED THERE'S NO REASON SHE SHOULD EVER KNOW SO I'LL BE GETTING OUT OF YOUR HAIR
JUST ONE OTHER THING YOU COULD DO FOR ME AS WELL
YES THAT FACE SHOULD DO NICELY
GOOD NEWS AUSTIN THE OPERATION'S OVER TURNS OUT YOUR GIRL WAS CLEAN AS A NUN'S KNEEPAD
OH? DO TELL
THE GANG WAS USING HER APARTMENT AS A DROP-OFF THEY KNEW WHEN SHE WAS OUT AT WORK SO THEY'D LEAVE THE DRUGS THERE FOR DISTRIBUTION SHE NEVER KNEW ANYTHING ABOUT IT
I'M SO RELIEVED AND WHICH OF MY STAFF WAS IT?

I decided not to kill Anton. The police would investigate and find my prints all over the place anyway. What would be the point?
ANTON HELLINGER? YOU'RE THE ONE MADE THE CALL?
I'M HE.
It was a bit of a risk for me. Normally I kill not for the principal of... but like I said I kind of liked the guy.
AGENT FOSSEY WAS HIS NAME. HE CALLED HIMSELF CLINT THAT WAS THE NAME HE USED WHEN CHANGED HIS FACE
YOU CHANGED HIS FACE?
THEN HE BECAME ROBIN. HE WAS AN AGENT FOR THE BUREAU OF NARCOTICS UNDERCOVER DIVISION. AT LEAST THAT'S WHAT HIS BOSS TOLD ME
HIS BOSS?
I WONDER IF I'M GOING TO HELL
SPECIAL AGENT WENGLER. I SUPPOSE THAT WAS ROBIN TOO. THAT'S WHY I CHANGED HIS FACE TO HELP THEIR INVESTIGATION, AND LET HIM LIVE IN THE UPSTAIRS FLAT. OH DEAR, I SUPPOSE I SHOULDN'T HAVE DONE THAT
THAT CLINT?
HE HAD LONG RED HAIR
AND WORE CRAZY GLASSES
WHEN DID YOU BEGIN TO SUSPECT THAT CLINT OR ROBIN WASN'T ALL HE PRETENDED TO BE?
LAST NIGHT I LET HIM HAVE THE SPARE KEYS. HE SAID HE NEEDED TO CHANGE HIS FACE AGAIN, FOR ANOTHER INVESTIGATION.
HE COULD WORK THE MACHINE?
NOT LIKE A PROPER TECHNICIAN, BUT HE HAD A GOOD WORKING KNOWLEDGE. AS LONG AS YOU KEPT AN EYE ON HIM.
THIS MORNING WHEN I CAME IN I FOUND THIS
SO HE'S CHANGED HIS FACE AGAIN.
THE MACHINE MUST HAVE A RECORD OF IT
ANTON- CONSIDER YOURSELF LUCKY. P.J. MAYBE
ADLY NO. HE'S REMOVED THE MEMORY

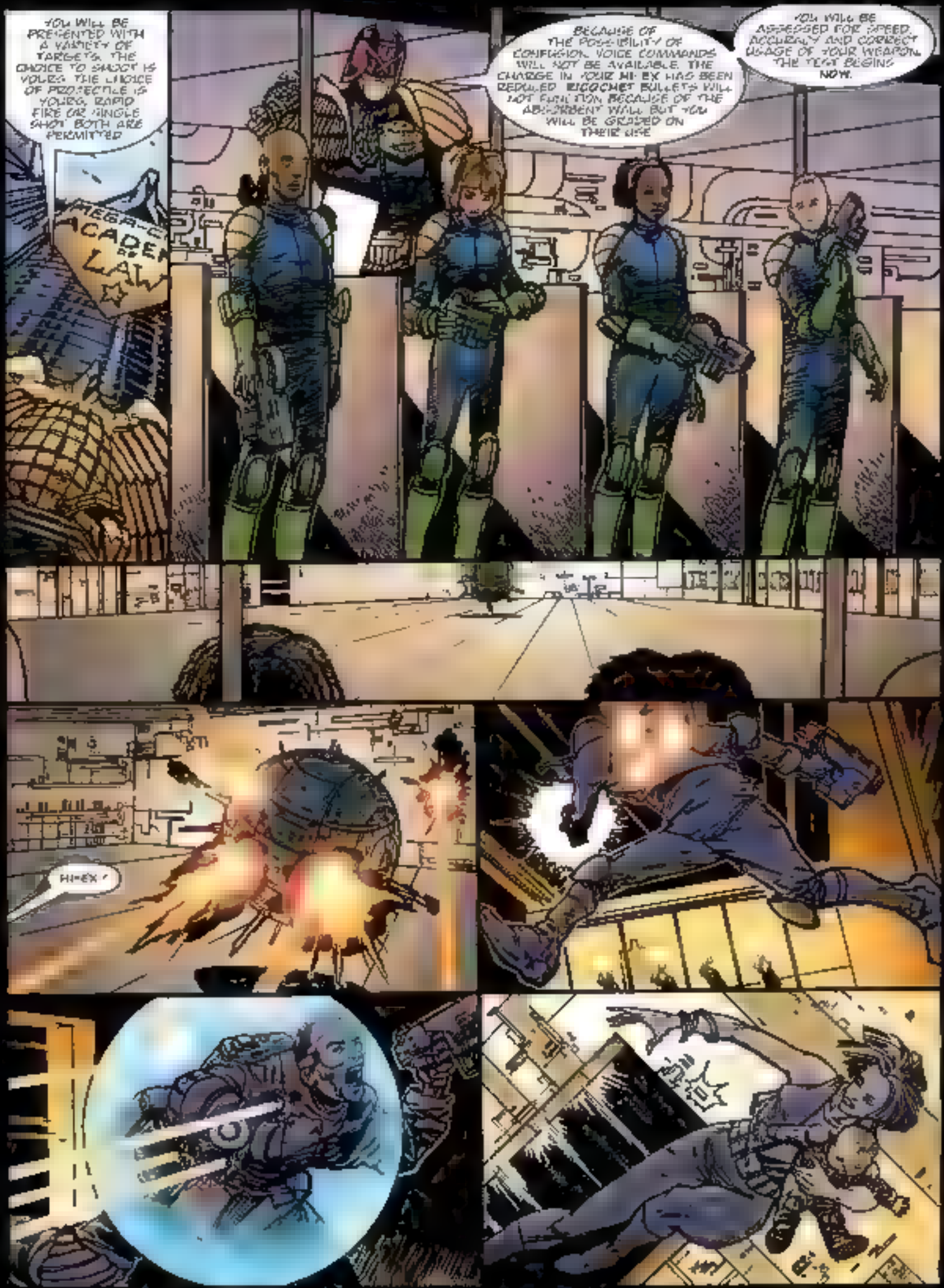
AND THIS IS THE FACE YOU SAW?
THAT'S HIM. OH, I SHUDDER JUST TO THINK HOW CLOSE CAME
I'LL CALL IN FORENSICS.
SEVERAL GOOD SETS OF PRINTS HERE. IT'S MAYBE ALL RIGHT
IT'S THE FIRST BREAK WE'VE HAD HE HASN'T GOT MUCH OF A HEAD START
HE'S HAD ALL NIGHT THAT'S USUALLY ENOUGH FOR PJ MAYBE.
KEEP LEFT
LEMME SPEAK TO HIM STEPH-IE

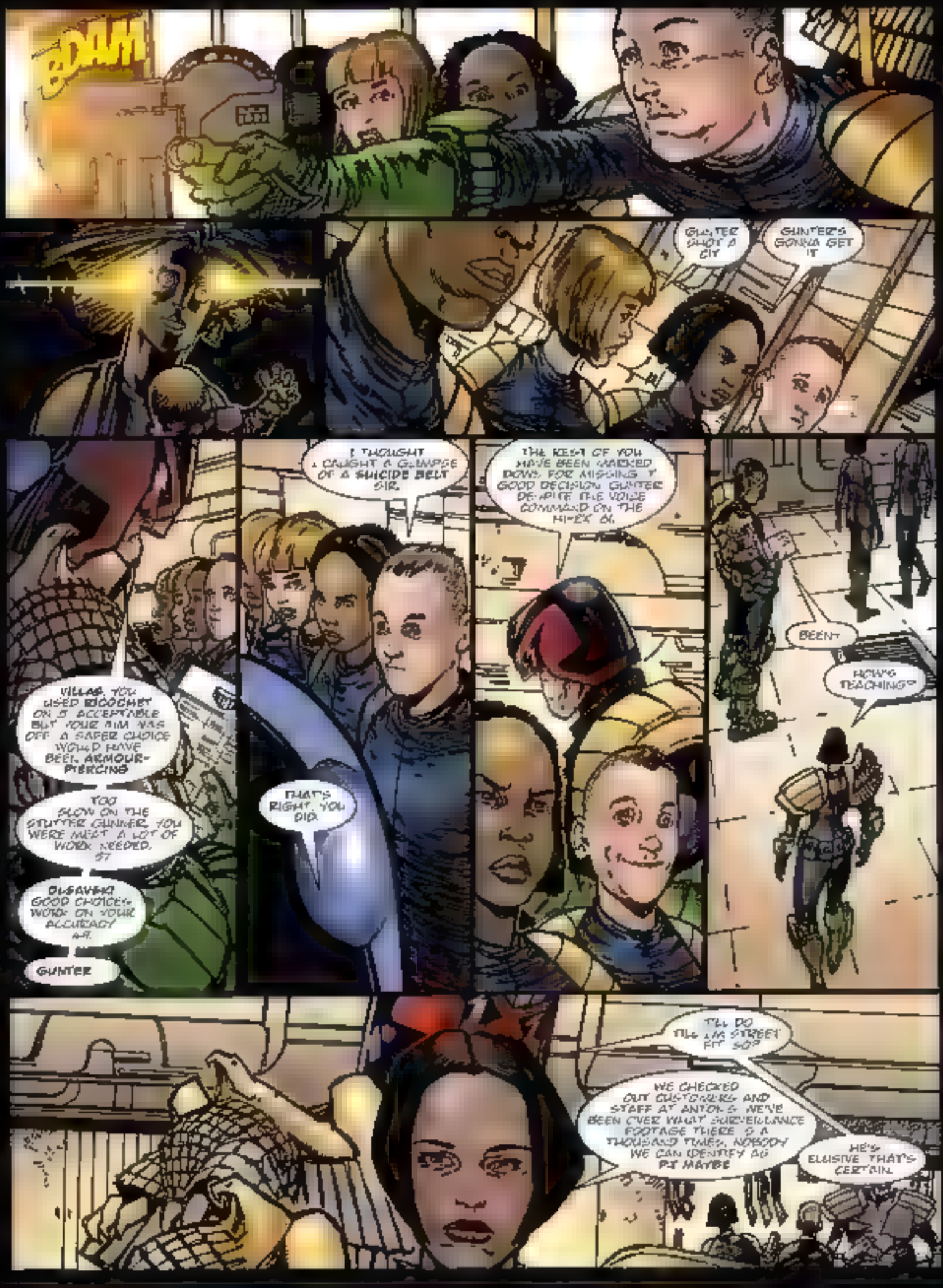

DON'T GIMME YOUR DAMN BUDDY OR MAYBE YOU WANNA SEE THE INSIDE OF A CUBE HUH?
THIS IS RUDY ISN'T IT? WE KNOW ALL ABOUT YOU, THINK WE DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE UP TO WITH OLD MRS STREPSIL YOUNG BUCK LIKE YOU? SO PUT HER ON SHARP OR I COME IN THERE WITH A WARRANT AND DRAG YOUR SORRY ASS DOWNTOWN.
I WORKED WITH ANTON DIDN'T SEE WHY IT WOULDN'T WORK AGAIN.
SOMEONE FOR YOU MRS S. SOUNDS OFFICIAL
MRS ALLEGRA STREPSIL? THIS IS JUDGE MITCH MITCHELL OF THE UNDERCOVER DIVISION. SORRY ABOUT CONTACTING YOU ON THE COM BUT IT'S BETTER IF I'M NOT SEEN.
TELL RUDY TO TAKE A HIKE. WHAT I'M ABOUT TO SAY IS FOR YOUR EARS ONLY
YEAH, I'LL WAIT
MRS STREPSIL THIS NEWS MAY BE DISTRESSING. WE HAVE REASON TO BELIEVE YOUR LIFE MAY BE IN DANGER
OH DEAR
NOT TO PUT TOO FINE A POINT ON IT MRS STREPSIL YOU'VE BEEN NO-OVED FOR MURDER
EXCUSE ME A MOMENT MRS STREPSIL
TREEBUGS FRIED, EXTRA SAUCE.
CAN I REFILL YOUR CUP SIR?
THANKS
SORRY ABOUT THAT JUST SPEAKING TO ONE OF MY ASSOCIATES WE HAVE ADDITIONAL CONFIRMATION FROM ANOTHER INFORMANT NOW
I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHO'S GOING TO MURDER ME? I'M NOT AFRAID, I HAVE RUDY HE' BIG AND STRONG HE'LL PROTECT ME.
MRS STREPSIL RUDY IS OUR PRIME SUSPECT
RUDY? SURELY NOT
HIS REAL NAME IS ZORBA MCMENEMY. HE'S GOT A RING OF CONVICTIONS FOR FRAUD AND VIOLENCE. DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THAT OR YOU?
OH MY!
WE KNOW HE PURCHASED A LARGE POISON TESTER KIT FROM A HARDWARE MART. CAUTION YOU DO NOT EAT OR DRINK THINGS THAT HE PREPARES. REPEAT ANYTHING
OH... OH MY HEART!
MRS STREPSIL TRY TO HOLD YOURSELF TOGETHER. THE TRIAL WILL BE OVER SOON AND I'M GOING TO SEND ONE OF MY OWN PEOPLE IN THERE AS YOUR BODYGUARD BUT THERE'S SOME THING YOU'VE GOT TO DO FIRST. YOU'VE GOT TO FIRE RUDY
OHHH

YOU'VE GOT TO BE STRONG MRS STREPAIL I DON'T THINK HE'LL TRY ANYTHING NOW HE'S NOT READY YET AND HE KNOWS WE'RE WATCHING HIM THE LONGER YOU LEAVE IT THE MORE DANGER YOU'RE IN.
A WOMAN IN THE CAFE HAS BEEN READY TO LEAVE. THE CIGAR WON'T STOP SEEING HIS NEW FACE.
WAITER
AGENT OZENDALE FOR MRS STREPAIL TELL HER JUDGE MITCHELL SENT ME.
YES, SIR. SHE'S EXPECTING YOU SIR.
PLEASE COME IN.
DON'T MIND IF I DO
AGENT OZENDALE MA'AM.
OH! OH!
SOMETHING WRONG, MRS STREPAIL?
NO NOT WRONG IT'S JUST THAT YOU YOU BEAR AN UNCANNY RESEMBLANCE TO MY TO MY DEAR LATE HUSBAND.
YOU DON'T SAY? THERE'S A COINCIDENCE..

PEOPLE NOT ROBOTS
PICK PAUL PECK
WORK FOR ALL
IF I AM ELECTED MAYOR I WILL CALL FOR THE TOTAL ABOLITION OF ROBOTS IN THE WORKPLACE. SO SAY IT FIVE TIMES FAST PEOPLE
PICK PAUL PECK OF THE PEOPLE PARTY AND THE PEOPLE WILL PREVAIL!
SHORTLY AFTER GIVING THIS SPEECH PEOPLE PARTY CANDIDATE PAUL PECK WAS CRUSHED TO DEATH BY A RUNAWAY SLAB ROLLER. THE SLAB-ROLLER HAS BEEN TAKEN AWAY FOR QUESTIONING.
THE UNFORTUNATE DEATH OF A SINGLE PERIPHERAL CANDIDATE THE CHIEF JUDGE'S OFFICE SAID THIS EVENING IS NOT SUFFICIENT REASON TO DELAY THE FORTHCOMING MUNICIPAL ELECTION.
ANTULI'S BEAUTY PARLOUR
ELSEWHERE A NARROW ESCAPE FOR FUGITIVE MURDERER PI MAYBE WHO JUDGY BELIEVE HAS BEEN MASQUERADING AS A FACE-CHANGE TECHNICIAN.
JUDGES ARRIVED AT A CITY BEAUTY PARLOUR THIS MORNING TO FIND THE ELUSIVE MAYBE HAD ONCE AGAIN SLIPPED THEIR NET
THE ELUSIVE MAYBE - I LIKED THAT. IT MADE ME SOUND LIKE THE SCARLET PIMPERNEL OR SOMETHING.
I SEE PI MAYBE IS ON THE LOOSE AGAIN. I DON'T KNOW WHY THEY DIDN'T PUT HIM TO DEATH WHEN THEY HAD HIM.
I PUZZLED US IN UNDERCOVER DIVISION. THAT ELUSIVE DEVIL HAS GIVEN US A LOT OF TROUBLE OVER THE YEARS.
THEY SEEK HIM HERE, THEY SEEK HIM THERE. THE JUDGES SEEK HIM EVERYWHERE. IS HE IN HEAVEN, IS HE IN HELL?
NO USE OF MRS SPRIGGINS, SOMA DOING WELL.
ANOTHER BISCUIT, MRS STREPHIL?
THANK YOU GREGORY AND PLEASE CALL ME ALLEGRA

MY LIFE THAT'S ANTONIA'S THAT'S WHERE I GO
YOU DON'T SAY
LOCAL
OH MY THAT'S ROBIN HE DID MY FACE YESTERDAY TO THINK -
YOU HAD A VERY LUCKY ESCAPE ALLEGRA A VERY LUCKY ESCAPE THE MAN'S A MERCILESS KILLER
ELUSIVE TOO
THE JUDGES WILL QUESTION ANTONIS CUSTOMERS WHEN THEY COME DON'T MENTION ME DON'T WANT THEM TO KNOW I'M HERE
BUT YOU'RE A JUDGE TOO
TRUE, BUT JUST BETWEEN YOU AND ME WE'VE GOT A FEW BAD APPLES IN THE BARREL THAT'S WHY UNDERCOVER DIVISION LIKES TO KEEP OPERATIONS TO OUR SELVES
AFTER ALL WE WOULDN'T WANT ANYTHING BAD HAPPENING TO YOU DEAR ALLEGRA
I DON'T UNDERSTAND GREGORY WHY WOULD RUDY WANT TO KILL ME WE GOT ON SO WELL
THAT'S WHAT HE WANTED YOU TO THINK HE'S A PART OF MEMBER OF KILL THE RICH THEY HATE BILLIONAIRES LIKE YOU
OH IF ONLY I HAD LOVED JI MINYA FIXED IT I MIGHT HAVE A WORKING HEALTHY GIRL I'D GET MY HANDS ON I'D BUT COULD LIVE WITH THAT
MONTY FRESH TOWELS FOR GREGORY'S ROOM, AND BRING THE KEY TO THE CONNECTING DOOR, HE MAY NEED TO HAVE ACCESS TO ME DURING THE NIGHT
YES MADAM
AT LEAST IT WOULD ONLY BE UNTIL SHE MET WITH HER FATAL ACCIDENT
DON'T WORRY ALLEGRA, YOU'LL BE SAFE NO ONE WILL EVER HURT YOU AS LONG AS I'M HERE
OH, GREGORY


YOU WILL BE PRESENTED WITH A VARIETY OF TARGETS. THE CHOICE TO SHOOT IS YOURS. THE CHOICE OF PROJECTILE IS YOURS, RAPID FIRE OR SINGLE SHOT BOTH ARE PERMITTED
MEGA-C ACADEMY OF LAW
BECAUSE OF THE POSSIBILITY OF CONFUSION, VOICE COMMANDS WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE. THE CHARGE IN YOUR HI-EX HAS BEEN REDUCED. RICOCHET BULLETS WILL NOT FUNCTION BECAUSE OF THE ABSORBENT WALL BUT YOU WILL BE GRADED ON THEIR USE
YOU WILL BE ASSESSED FOR SPEED, ACCURACY AND CORRECT USAGE OF YOUR WEAPON. THE TEST BEGINS NOW.
HI-EX !
WHAM !


DAM
GUNTER SHOT A CIV
GUNTER'S GONNA GET IT
VILLAR, YOU USED RICOCHET ON 3 ACCEPTABLE BUT YOUR AIM WAS OFF A SAFER CHOICE WOULD HAVE BEEN ARMOUR-PIERCING
TOO SLOW ON THE STUTTER GUNNER, YOU WERE MISS A LOT OF WORK NEEDED. ST
OLSAVSKI GOOD CHOICE+ WORK ON YOUR ACCURACY A-R.
GUNTER
I THOUGHT I CAUGHT A GLIMPSE OF A SUICIDE BELT SIR.
THAT'S RIGHT, YOU DID.
THE REST OF YOU HAVE BEEN MARKED DOWN FOR MISSING T GOOD DECISION GUNTER DESPITE THE VOICE COMMAND ON THE HI-EX 01.
BEEN
HOWS TEACHING?
I'LL DO I'LL LIA STREET FIT SOP
WE CHECKED OUT CUSTOMERS AND STAFF AT ANTON'S WE'VE BEEN OVER WHAT SURVEILLANCE FOOTAGE THERE IS A THOUSAND TIMES, NOBODY WE CAN IDENTIFY AS PJ MAYBE
HE'S ELUSIVE THAT'S CERTAIN

IT DOESN'T HELP THAT WE DON'T KNOW WHAT HE LOOKS LIKE IF HE'S TRUE TO FORM HE'LL HAVE FOUND A BOLTHOLE SOMEWHERE WE COULD SEARCH TIL DOOMSDAY AND NEVER GET NEAR HIM. MY THINKING IS OUR BEST CHANCE IS TO ANTICIPATE HIM.
POWER - MONEY MURDER THESE ARE THE THINGS WE KNOW HE LIKES THE FIRST TWO AREN'T THAT EASY TO GET A HOOK ON, BUT MURDER NOW.
IT'S AN OBSESSION IT'S WHAT MAKES HIM GET UP IN THE MORNING HE TRIES TO STOP BUT IT ALWAYS DRAWS HIM BACK
AGREED HE'LL KILL AGAIN. TARGET?
HEARD THE NAME TONY BLOKE?
SINCERITY DRIPPING FROM EVERY PORE THAT'S TONY BLOKE.
THAT'S THE ONE BYRON AMBROSE'S PREDECESSOR IN THE LIBERAL PARTY
WE PUT BLOKE UNDER TWENTY-FOUR-HOUR SURVEILLANCE. A COUPLE OF UNDERCOVER UNITS IN HIS CLOSE SUPPORT TEAM, DISCREET CITY CAMS, AERIAL COVER EVERYWHERE HE GOES HE MEETS OR TAP READY TO MOVE ANY TIME DAY OR NIGHT
BLOKE'S BEEN INVOKING AMBROSE'S NAME AT EVERY TURN. MAKES HIMSELF SOUND LIKE HIS SON AND HEIR.
AND THAT WOULD GET UNDER MAYER'S SKIN.
MAYER'S STILL MISSING THE OFFICE. CONSIDERS HIMSELF AS AMBROSE THE BEST MAYOR THE CITY'D HAD WITH SOME JUSTIFICATION. THERE'S ONLY ONE MENTION OF BLOKE IN HIS CASE NOTES. HE DESCRIBES HIM AS AN OIL LITTLE PARASITE
SO NO LOVE LOST
COULD BE LONG TERM.
IF POSSIBLE.
EXPENSIVE.
I'M CALCULATING MAYER WON'T BE ABLE TO HOLD OFF FOR THAT LONG GOT TO BE BEFORE THE ELECTION
RIOT SIM
ALL RIGHT THE COUNCIL GOT IT IN THIS MESS. I'LL SEE THEY DON'T STAND IN THE WAY WHATEVER YOU NEED AN JUDGY GIVES YOU TROUBLE REFER THEM TO ME
WHEN I GET THIS DAMNED COLLAR OFF I'LL ATTEND TO YOU MYSELF

Putting on Allegra dear husband's face proved a smart move. She was putty in my hands. In fact two weeks after I moved in to the divorcee mansion we had the not
convinced her to fly us in secret to Buenaventura where Jose our contact obtained new papers important I said to hide my true identity in case her would-be assassins realised Hasdes were running I was now Roberto Gil. A beach pendant we had a lovely wedding on the beach a quieter affair
Of our wedding night well a gentleman doesn't etc. Let's just say for a 97 year old she was lively.
BACK IN THE U.S. OH I WAS FORGETTING YOUR FIRST VISIT ROBERTO
DON'T YOU WORRY WE'LL SOON GET YOU A RESIDENCY PERMIT CITIZENSHIP TOO. I HAVE QUITE A LOT OF INFLUENCE YOU KNOW.
THAT WOULD BE KIND, MY DEAR. BEST NOT TO USE MY OWN SOURCES IN CASE GIVE THE GAME AWAY
I had decided to postpone Allegra's demise for a while. Truth was I kind of liked the old girl. I guess I am going a bit soft
IT'S LATE, MY DEAR YOU'RE TIRED. YOU GO OFF UP I'LL JOIN YOU SOON.
But in my case I had other fish to fry.
TONY BLORE
It was only a few weeks till the election. There wasn't much time. I had a bigger day to be best way to kill Tony Blore.

AS WE HEAR... BELIEVE HE DIED... OUR DEAR LATE MAYOR BYRON AMBROSE SAID TO ME TONY
VOTE BLORE
VOTE LIBERAL
TONY BLORE KNOWS THE SCORE
TONY IF I SHOULD DIE IF ANY SERIOUS OR MINOR ILLNESS SHOULD TAKE ME FROM THIS OFFICE YOU AND I HAVE A SACRED MISSION
WORM! I ALWAYS DETESTED YOU, THINK I'D ENTRUST THE CITY TO AN OILY LITTLE SQUIRT LIKE YOU?
AT THAT MOMENT AN ENRAGED MAN BRANDISHING A MACHETE EMERGED FROM THE CROWD.
I'VE GOT HIS COMING RIGHT
MEMBERS OF THE LIBERAL GRANDSTAND ENTOURAGE SWIFTLY SURROUND THE ATTACKER
NOW THAT'S INTERESTING
ENTOURAGE WHY DON'T THEY LOOK HIM DOWN LIKE PRONTO
HUNCHES ON THE SCENE TICKET'S SPLIT LIKE THEY JUST HAPPENED TO BE PASSING THEY'RE WATCHING HIM LIKE THEY'RE EXPECTING AN ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT
OR ME YES, GOT TO BE, THEY'RE NOT GOING TO WASTE ALL THAT MANPOWER OVER SOME KOOK
THERE WAS NO GETTING AWAY NOW IT WAS A CHALLENGE. A GAME MAN OF COURSE WOULD WALK OUT NOW. BUT I'M NOT DONE - WELL NOT IN THE EXCEPTED SENSE.
NOW I NEW I HAD TO KILL TONY BLORE. HAD TO DO IT IN THE OPEN, RIGHT UNDER THEIR NOSES.
GOODNIGHT SIR
YES, IT CERTAINLY IS, THE GAME IS ON, MONTY
YES, SIR

SO YOU THOUGHT YOU'D JUST DECAPITATE TONY BLOKE THERE IN FRONT OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN.
I AIN'T MAKING NO APOLOGIES
IT'S TOO LATE FOR APOLOGIES, YOU'RE GOING TO THE PSYCHO CUBES.
HEIGHT BUILD DNA PRINTS - NOTHING TALLIES. IT'S NOT MAYBE. WE'VE GOT A COMPLETE I.D. AMOS PRATT 48 LONG TERM RESIDENT KRAVITZ STACKABLE.
WE MAY HAVE TIPPED OUR HAND
DO WE CALL OFF THE SURVEILLANCE? GRAND HALL GIVING ME BIG GRIEF OVER COSTS
NO LET 'EM KNOW, KNOWING MAYBE IT MAY MAKE THE PROSPECT MORE ALLURING.
WHAT ARE YOU DOING ROBERTO?
A LITTLE WORK ON A NEW CASE MY DEAR
A NEW CASE?
YES. SOME GOOD NEWS. WE'VE ARRESTED THE RINGLEADERS OF YOUR MURDER PLOT. THEY'VE BEEN SENTENCED TO TWENTY TO LIFE. JUDY AMONG THEM. YOU'RE NO LONGER IN DANGER.
THAT'S WONDERFUL NEWS.
I'M WORKING ON A NEW EAVESDROPPING DEVICE IF IT ALL GOES TO PLAN I'M GOING TO GIVE A BUNCH OF FRAUDSTERS A NASTY SHOCK
YOU'RE SO CLEVER

TO THE STUDIOS
CHUCKIE - LAST SUMMER CHUCK TOLD YOU THE RASH ON HIS BEDIN WAS A PLASTEEN ALLERGY CHUCK WAS LYING. YOUR QUESTION ON LOVE ME LOVE ME NOT IS - WHAT WAS THE REAL CAUSE OF THE RASH AND WHAT POTENTIALLY SERIOUS MEDICAL CONSEQUENCES MIGHT THERE BE FOR YOU?
GIRLS TEAM MAY CONFER
GIRLS
BOYS
YOU DIRTY STRONG BAR WHEN I TASTE NO ALLERGY
CAN YOU GIVE US A CLUE BOB?
CAN I HELP YOU SIR?
OH DEAR CAUGHT
THIS IS THE STUDIO WHERE THEY MAKE 'IN THE HOT SEAT' ISN'T IT? I WAS JUST TRYING TO TAKE A LOOK IT'S MY FAVOURITE PROGRAMME.
I'M SORRY SIR, THE STUDIO IS LOCKED.
THAT'S A SHAME I WONDER IF
FIVE HUNDRED CREDS MIGHT OFFEN IT?
JUST FOR A FEW MINUTES, JUST TO TAKE A LITTLE LOOK
JUST FOR A FEW MINUTES CAN NOT HARM DONE I SUPPOSE

OH. WONDERFUL! WONDERFUL!
I WONDER IF I MIGHT SIT IN THE SEATS?
HOTSEAT
SURE
OH MY THERE HE IS AGAIN.
WHO? WHAT?
THE MUTANT I SAW HIM THROUGH THE WINDOW I SAW HIM EARLIER SNEAKING IN HE LOOKED UP TO NO GOOD.
A MUTIE HUH? I'LL GIVE HIM A MUTATION. YOU WAIT HERE SIR.
THE SEATS WERE RIGGED. IT WAS EASY TO SLIP THE SLUDPAX IN UNDERNEATH. THEY WOULDN'T FEEL ANY THING WHEN THEY SAT ON 'EM.
MY FEELINGS AND VITING MAY NOT BE THAT GOOD BUT I'VE ALWAYS BEEN A WIZZ AT SCIENCE.
ANY LUCK?
NAH WHAT DID HE LOOK LIKE THIS MUTIE?
REALLY UGLY BUT AREN'T THEY ALL?
I DO HOPE YOU FIND ALL MUTANTS DISGUST ME, WE OUGHT TO PUT THEM ALL IN CRYOHERO AND CRUSH THEM LIKE BUGS.
DAMN RIGHT FREAKIN' DREDD TO BLAME FOR I OUGHTA CRUSH HIM TOO.
DON'T TELL HIM I SAID THAT
PERISH THE THOUGHT

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PROUD TO BE NORMAL
FRANK HUMMER OF THE NORMAL DEFENCE LEAGUE
HELLO.
THE REVEREND BRUCE MCKIMBO OF PATH OF GRUD.
RIDLEY SOLONG OF THE MUTANT TENDENCY
GOOD EVENING.
ZIBENA HARDLY-LUCIDBERRY OF THE SIMP PARTY
CLUMP.
TONY BLOKE OF THE ILLIBERALS
HI.
STANDING IN TONIGHT FOR THE LATE PAUL PECK IT'S LARS PIPER OF THE PEOPLE PARTY
FINALLY THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM APATHY DECLINED TO APPEAR, SO INSTEAD IN THE HOT SEAT IT'S ANGELINA PRINCE OF THE REACTIONARY PROGRESSIVES.
HELLO.
IN THE HOT SEAT
I POSITIONED MYSELF IN THE CAR PARK NEXT DOOR. THAT'S WHERE TONY BLOKES LIMO HAD TO PARK UP
EXCUSE ME SIR DID YOU KNOW YOU HAVE A SMALL CHILD CRUSHED UNDER YOUR VEHICLE?
WHAAT?
I CAN'T SEE ANYTHING YOU'RE JOKING RIGHT?
YEAH, HERE'S THE FUNNY BIT
WHAAKKK!

FIRST QUESTION TONIGHT FROM A YOUTHFUL CADRE OF HECTOR 2!? SYNTHS SAYS, WHAT ABOUT THE MUTANTS?
WELL, WHAT ABOUT THEM?
FRANK HUMMER OF THE NDL YOU'RE IN THE HOT SEAT
NO MUTIES, PERIOD GET 'EM OUT. WE NEVER ASKED FOR 'EM WE DON'T WANT 'EM.
PROUD TO BE NORMAL
RIDLEY SOLONS OF THE MUTANT TENDENCY YOU'RE NOT WANTED
OH, WE KNOW THAT VERY WELL
TONY BLOKE OF THE ILLIBERALS
OF REALITY! TRY TO KEEP THE LEVEL OF DEBATE ABOVE THE
EIDENA MARDEY LUCIDSEEKY OF THE SNAP PARTY YOU DON'T LIKE HIM DAVE!
LOOK IF YOU WANT TO KNOW HOW TO DEAL WITH THE MUTANT QUESTION, YOU KEEP OUT. FOLLOW THE EXAMPLE OF MY LATE DEAR FRIEND BYRON AMBROSE
THERE HE GOES AGAIN!
YOU LITTLE PUNK, YOU'RE NOT FIT TO LICK BYRON AMBROSE'S U-FRONT-S
OH, YOU ARE SO GOING TO GET IT
EDITH TOFU OF THE VEGAN FRINGE YOU'RE IN THE HOT SEAT!
BAWOOOM

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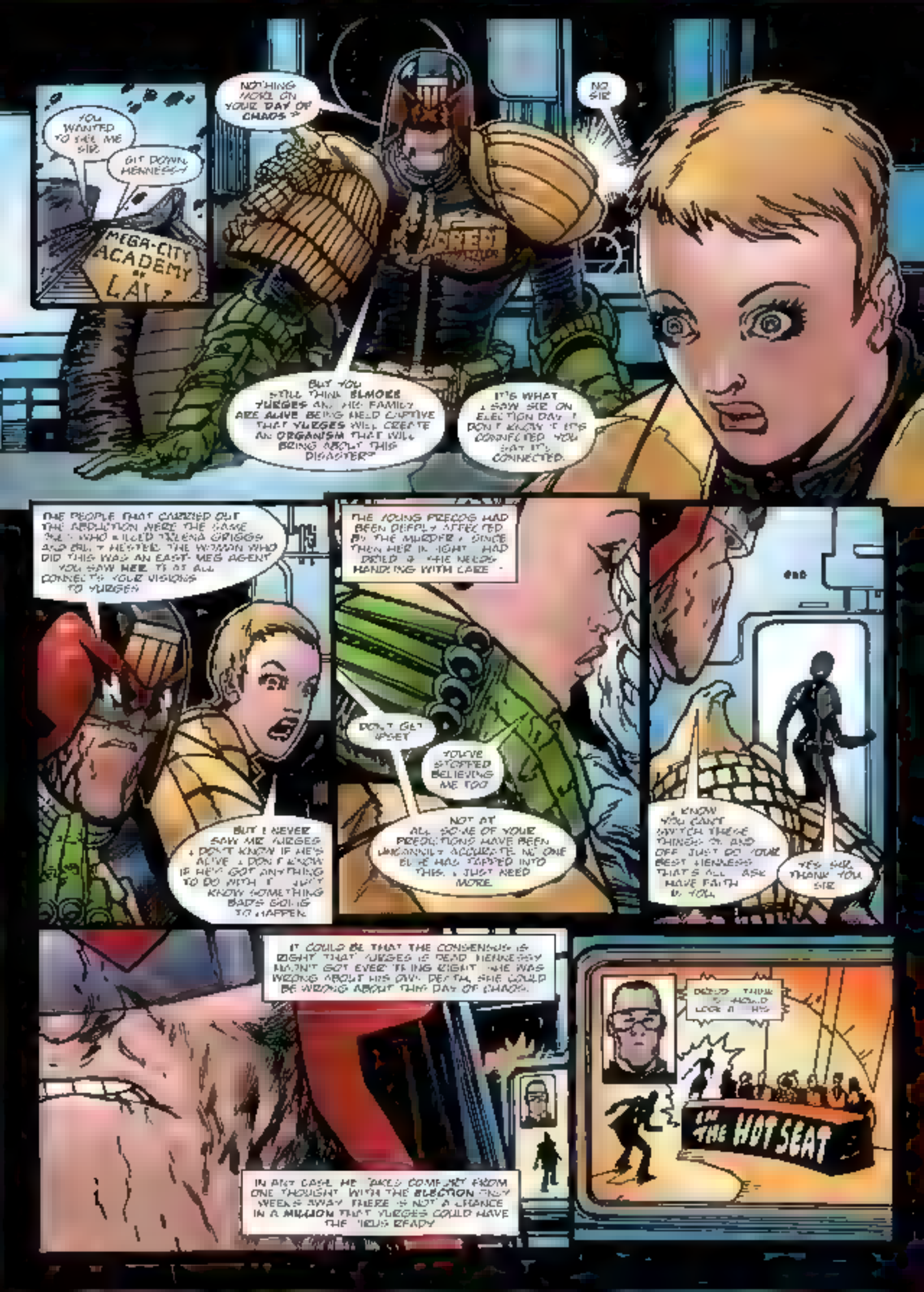
DEAR GROD -
BAWCCCCCH
REMAIN IN YOUR SEATS AS LADIES AND GENTLEMEN DON'T PANIC
OH GROD! LET GO!
CAN'T MOVE!
I'M STUCK!
THIS IS A MUTIE TRICK

YOU'VE GOT TO GET OUT OF THAT CHAIR
LOGAN TAKE IT EASIER WITH THIS
SNIFF
PLEASE HURRY
YOUR BRAIN HAS BEEN GETTING BETTER AT GETTING YOU OUT OF THEM
KAWCCCCCCH
OH MY GOD OH MY GOD GOD
GET HIM OUT GET HIM TO HIS CAR
CLUMP
RESPONDING


YOU WANTED TO SEE ME SIR?
SIT DOWN HENNESSY
MEGA-CITY ACADEMY OF LAW
NOTHING MORE ON YOUR DAY OF CHAOS?
JUDGE
NO SIR
BUT YOU STILL THINK ELMORE JUDGES AND HIS FAMILY ARE ALIVE BEING HELD CAPTIVE THAT JUDGES WILL CREATE AN ORGANISM THAT WILL BRING ABOUT THIS DISASTER?
IT'S WHAT I SAW SIR ON ELECTION DAY. I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S CORRECTED. YOU SAY IT'S CONNECTED.
THE PEOPLE THAT CARRIED OUT THE ABDUCTION WERE THE SAME ONES WHO KILLED TALENA GRIGGS AND BILLY HESTER. THE WOMAN WHO DID THIS WAS AN EAST-MEG AGENT YOU SAW HER. IT'S ALL CONNECTED TO YOUR VISIONS TO JUDGES
THE YOUNG FREEDS HAD BEEN DEEPLY AFFECTED BY THE MURDER. SINCE THEN HER INSIGHT HAD DIMMED. SHE NEEDS HANDLING WITH CARE.
DON'T GET UPSET
YOU'VE STOPPED BELIEVING ME TOO
NOT AT ALL. SOME OF YOUR PREDICTIONS HAVE BEEN UNCANNILY ACCURATE. NO ONE ELSE HAS TAPPED INTO THIS. I JUST NEED MORE
BUT I NEVER SAW ME JUDGES. I DON'T KNOW IF HE'S ALIVE. I DON'T KNOW IF HE'S GOT ANYTHING TO DO WITH IT. I JUST KNOW SOMETHING BAD'S GOING TO HAPPEN.
I KNOW YOU CAN'T SWITCH THESE THINGS ON AND OFF. JUST DO YOUR BEST HENNESSY. THAT'S ALL I ASK. HAVE FAITH IN YOU.
YES SIR. THANK YOU SIR
IT COULD BE THAT THE CONSENSUS IS RIGHT THAT JUDGES IS DEAD. HENNESSY WASN'T GOT EVERYTHING RIGHT. SHE WAS WRONG ABOUT HIS OWN DEATH, SHE COULD BE WRONG ABOUT THE DAY OF CHAOS.
IN ANY CASE, WE CAN'T COMFORT FROM ONE THOUGHT WITH THE ELECTION ONLY WEEKS AWAY. THERE IS NOT A CHANCE IN A MILLION THAT JUDGES COULD HAVE THE DEUS READY
DREDD THINK I SHOULD LOOK AT HIS
IN THE HOT SEAT

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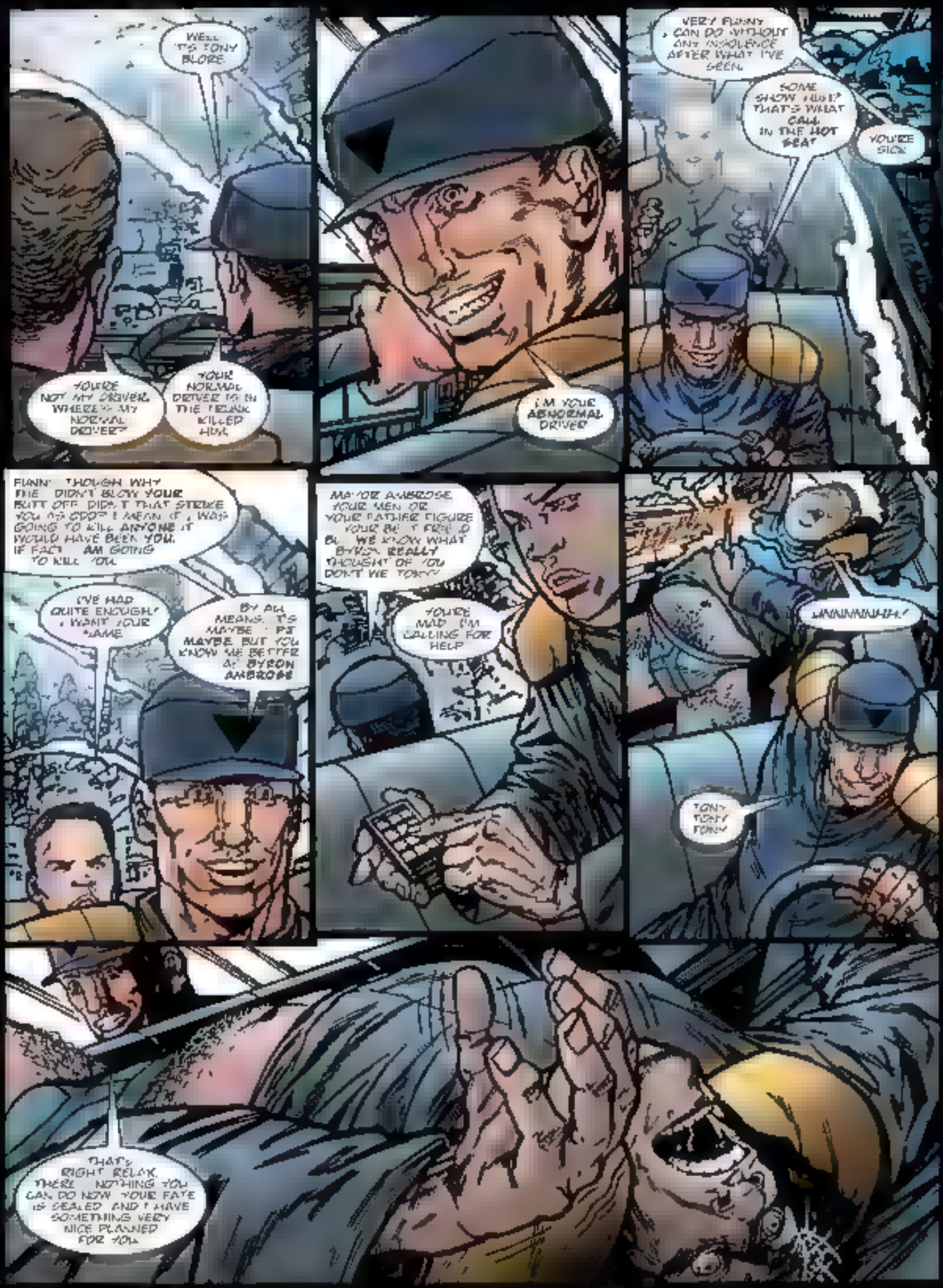
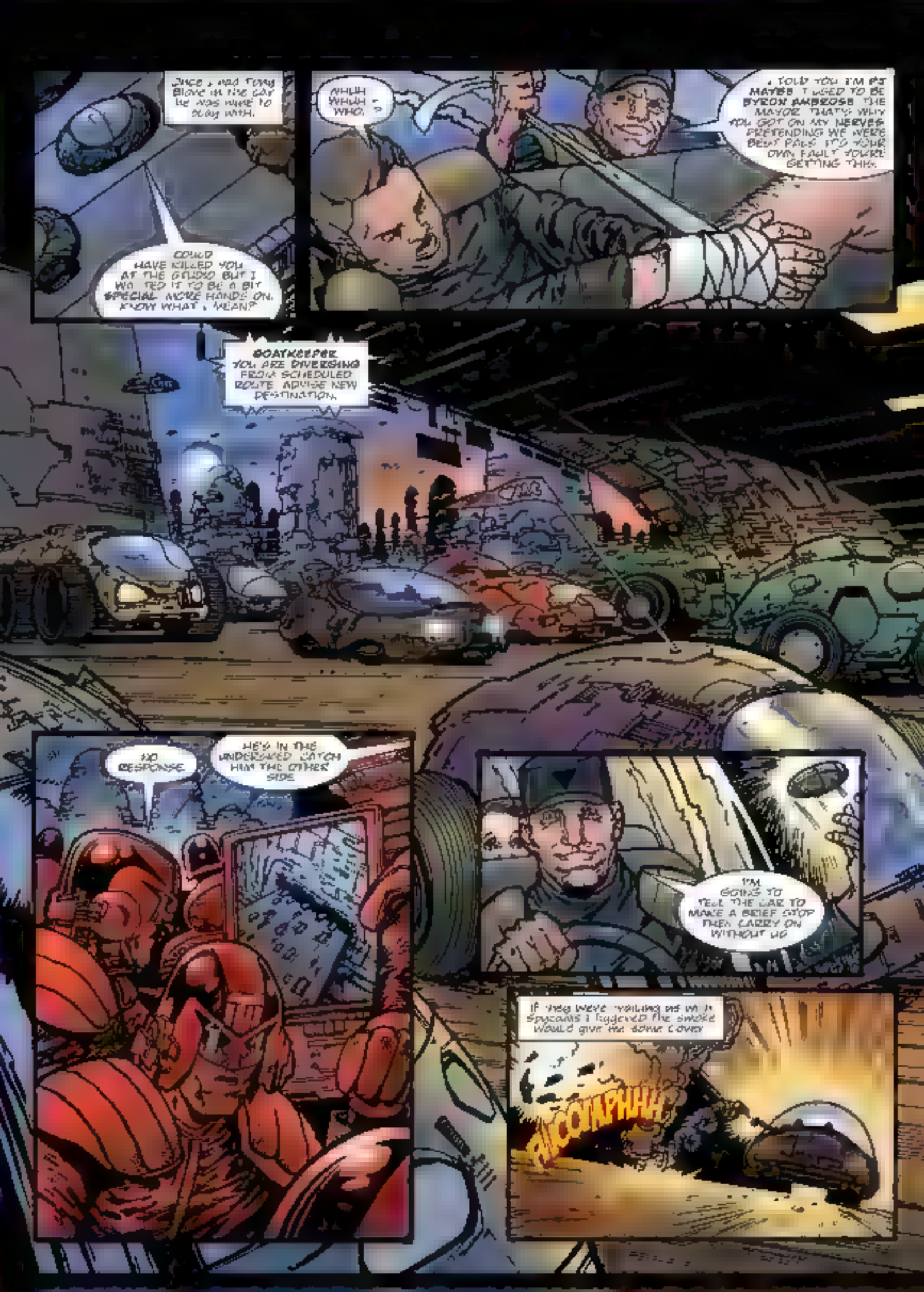

WELL IT'S TONY BLORE
YOU'RE NOT MY DRIVER. WHERE'S MY NORMAL DRIVER?
YOUR NORMAL DRIVER IS IN THE FRIDGE KILLED HIM
I'M YOUR ABNORMAL DRIVER
VERY FUNNY I CAN DO WITHOUT ANY INSOLENCE AFTER WHAT I'VE SEEN
SOME SHOW YOU? THAT'S WHAT CALL IN THE HOT SEAT
YOU'RE SICK
FUNNY THOUGH WHY THE DIDN'T BLOW YOUR BUTT OFF DIDN'T THAT STRIKE YOU AS ODD? I MEAN IF I WAS GOING TO KILL ANYONE IT WOULD HAVE BEEN YOU. IF FACT I AM GOING TO KILL YOU
I'VE HAD QUITE ENOUGH I WANT YOUR GAME
BY ALL MEANS IT'S MAYBE I'M MAYBE BUT YOU KNOW ME BETTER AS BYRON AMBROSE
MAJOR AMBROSE YOUR MEN OR YOUR FATHER FIGURE YOUR BEST FRIEND BUT WE KNOW WHAT BYRON REALLY THOUGHT OF YOU DON'T WE TONY?
YOU'RE MAD I'M CALLING FOR HELP
AAAAAAAAAH!
TONY TONY TONY
THAT'S RIGHT RELAX THERE NOTHING YOU CAN DO NOW YOUR FATE IS SEALED AND I HAVE SOMETHING VERY NICE PLANNED FOR YOU


JUICE, HAD TONY BLOKE IN THE CAR HE WAS MEANT TO SCARE WITH.
COULD HAVE KILLED YOU AT THE STUDIO BUT I WANTED IT TO BE A BIT SPECIAL MORE HANDS ON. KNOW WHAT I MEAN?
WHUH WHUH - WHO -
I TOLD YOU I'M PJ MAYES I USED TO BE BYRON AMBROSE THE MAYOR THAT'S WHY YOU GOT ON MY NERVES PRETENDING WE WERE BEST PALS IT'S YOUR OWN FAULT YOU'RE GETTING THIS.
GOATKEEPER YOU ARE DIVERGING FROM SCHEDULED ROUTE ADVISE NEW DESTINATION
NO RESPONSE
HE'S IN THE UNDERCOVER CATCH HIM THE OTHER SIDE
I'M GOING TO TELL THE CAR TO MAKE A BRIEF STOP THEN CARRY ON WITHOUT US
IF THEY WERE TAILING ME IN A SPYCOMM I FIGURED THE SMOKE WOULD GIVE ME SOME COVER
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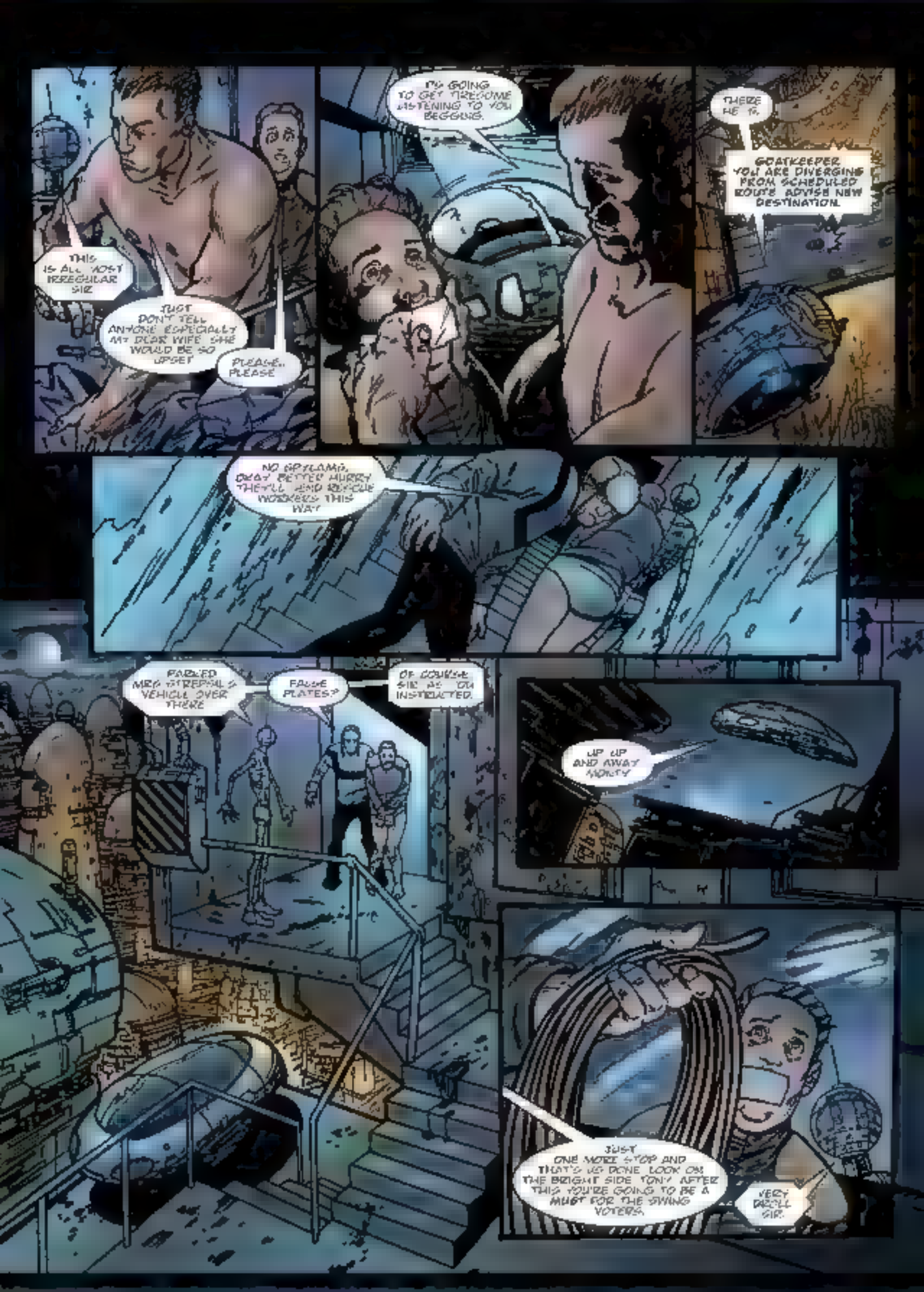
GRUD -
SKRRREEEEE
SKRASSHHHA
SEKVICE VEHICLES ONLY


THIS IS ALL MOST IRREGULAR SIR
JUST DON'T TELL ANYONE ESPECIALLY MY DEAR WIFE SHE WOULD BE SO UPSET
PLEASE.. PLEASE
I'M GOING TO GET TIRESOME LISTENING TO YOU BEGGING.
THERE HE IS.
GOATKEEPER YOU ARE DIVERGING FROM SCHEDULED ROUTE ADVISE NEW DESTINATION
NO DIPLOMA, OKAY BETTER HURRY THEY'LL END RENDUE WORKERS THIS WAY
PARKED MEP/FIREPOWER VEHICLE OVER THERE
FAKE PLATES?
OF COURSE SIR AS YOU INSTRUCTED.
UP UP AND AWAY MONTY
JUST ONE MORE STOP AND THAT'S US DONE LOOK ON THE BRIGHT SIDE TONY AFTER THIS YOU'RE GOING TO BE A MUST FOR THE SWING VOTERS.
VERY DROLL SIR.

MEANWHILE BACK AT THE JUDICIAL
SOME OF THOSE CHAIRS AREN'T TILL BE VERY KEEN WE BACK TILL THE BOMB SQUAD'S CLEARED IT
BETTER ALL IN GROUND WHILE CHECK IT OUT
TELL JUDGE LOGAN WHAT YOU FOUND
HOW AN EMERGENCY MEDIC LOOSE IN THE BUILDING.
WHAT IF THE FIVE HUNDRED COULD BE TIED ON IT DUD.
I'LL GET SOMEONE TO CHK THE SURVEILLANCE TAPE
IT'S BRAINBOX'S DESCRIPTION IF THIS WAS HE WAS IN HEAVY DISGUISE
COUPLA DAYS AGO GUY SNEAK WE FIVE BIG TO LOOK AT THE JUDGE'S HOT SEAT'S HIS NUMBER ONE VICTIM JUST LET HIM IN FOR A COUPLA MINUTES DID I THINK HE WAS GONNA DO NOTHING
THE STUDIO'S HAPPENED TO BE VERY LOCKED FOR A PURPOSE
OF COURSE I WAS TOO MUCH TO HOPE THAT BRAINBOX WOULD ACTUALLY TRY AND WATCH HIM
HOWEVER THE VEHICLE IS EMPTY RUNNING ON IDLE
TAKE FIVE
DRIVER: COP AND JUDGES ARE ON THE FRONT SEAT
COULD BE THE DRIVER HERE
I'M NOT TOM BLOOD ANYWAY

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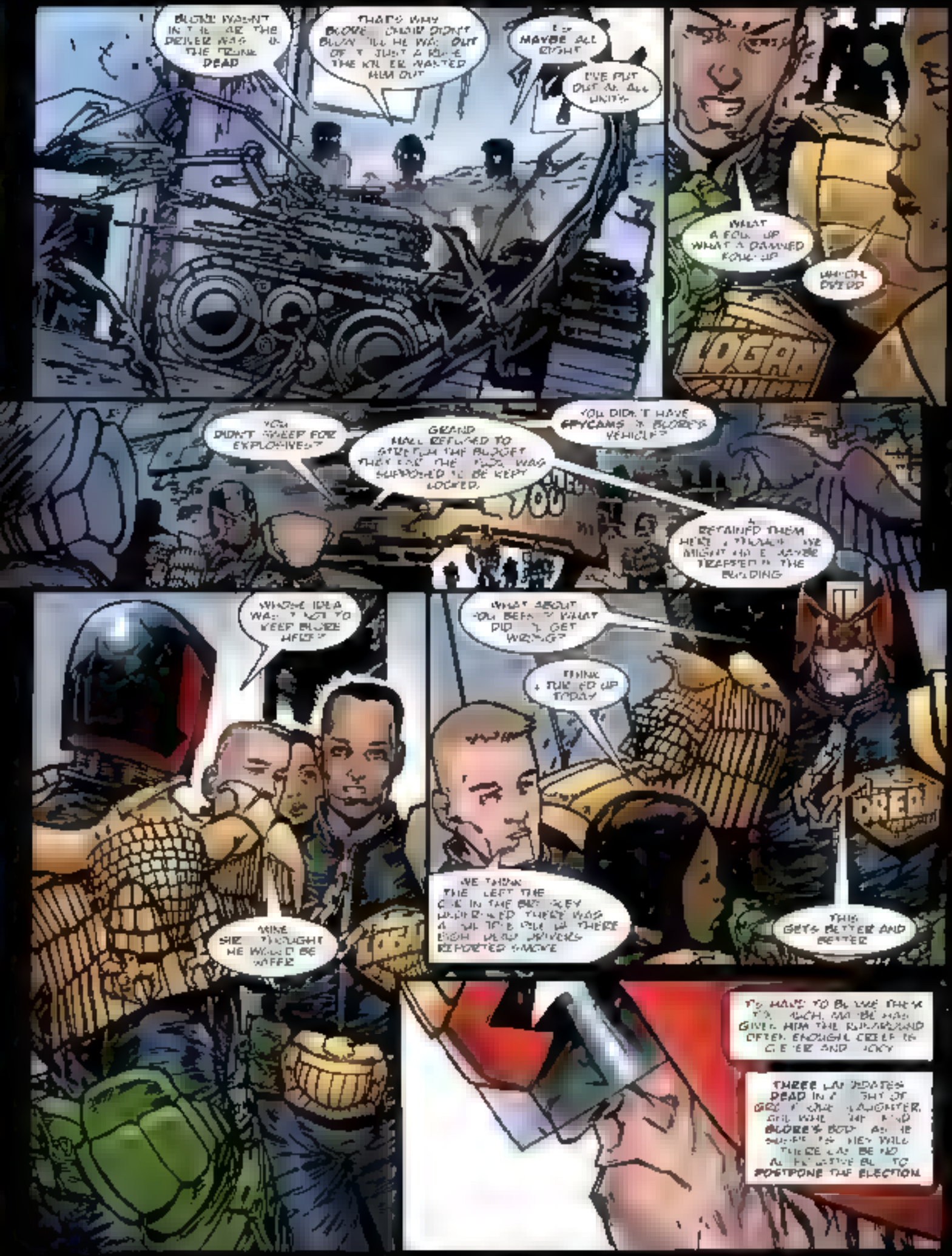
BLOKE WASN'T IN THE CAR THE DRIVER WAS IN THE TRUNK DEAD
THAT'S WHY BLOKE CHAIR DIDN'T BLOW TILL HE WAS OUT OF IT JUST A RUSE THE KILLER WANTED HIM OUT
OK MAYBE ALL RIGHT
I'VE PUT OUT AN ALL UNITS
WHAT A FOUL UP WHAT A DAMNED FOUL UP
WHICH DREDD
YOU DIDN'T SWEEP FOR EXPLOSIVES?
GRAND HALL REFUSED TO SPEND ITS BUDGET THEY SAID THE PERP WAS SUPPOSED TO BE KEPT LOCKED
YOU DIDN'T HAVE SPYCAMS IN BLOKE'S VEHICLE?
RETAINED THEM HERE A PRISON WE MIGHT AND E MAYBE TRAPPED IN THE BUILDING
WHOSE IDEA WAS IT NOT TO KEEP BLOKE HERE?
MINE SHE THOUGHT HE WOULD BE SAFER
WHAT ABOUT YOU BEEN WHAT DID I GET WRONG?
I THINK I TUCKED UP TODAY
WE THINK THE LEFT THE CAR IN THE BASEMENT WHERE THERE WAS A VEHICLE THERE WAS A VEHICLE IN THERE EIGHT DEAD DRIVERS REPORTED MISSING
THIS GETS BETTER AND BETTER
IT HAS TO BE WE THINK IT'S MUCH, MUCH MORE GIVEN HIM THE RUNAROUND DREDD ENOUGH CREEP IS CLEVER AND LUCKY
THREE LAW JUDGES DEAD IN A DAY OF GRIEF AND SLAUGHTER, GRIEF WHILE THE KILLER BLOKE'S BODY AS HE SURVIVES AS THEY WILL THERE CAN BE NO ALTERNATIVE BUT TO POSTPONE THE ELECTION

BREAKFAST IS SERVED.
GOOD-O. I'M AS HUNGRY AS A HORSEFLY
AS THE SUNS RAYS MOVE THIS MORNING BRILLIANT BEAMS WERE REFLECTED TO US THE BODY OF TOBY BLORE HANGING BY ITS OWN BRAIN AMIDST BRIDGE BUILDING THE NIGHT. TOLL OF HORRORS TO FOLLOW
MR BLORE WAS THE FRONT RUNNER IN THE FORTHCOMING ELECTION WHICH IS NOW CERTAIN TO BE POSTPONED YET AGAIN
OH MY HOW GHASTLY
WOW! THAT MR BLORE SHOULD BE FOUND HANGING FROM THE BRIDGE DISPLAYED TO HIS FORMER LEADER AND MENTOR
JUDGES BELIEVE THE MURDERS TO BE THE WORK OF TERRORIST GROUPS SO FAR NONE HAS CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY
NO. I'M NOT GOING TO ADMIT I DID IT
YOU DID IT? WHAT DO YOU MEAN ROBERTO?
JUST MY LITTLE JOKE, AS IF I COULD COMMIT SUCH A GHASTLY ACT WHEN I'M SO FULL OF LOVE FOR YOU
OH ROBERTO
Anyway. Who did it matter? They were f Who me. That was enough. I'd convinced myself. PJ Anson was back
Time now to sit back and quietly enjoy the hoof of mankind I'd done I was all here somewhere waiting for me would look me. CUNNING - dangerous - elusive

GALLERY

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JOHN WAGNER

John Wagner has been scripting for *2000 AD* for more years than he cares to remember. His creations include *Judge Dredd, Strontium Dog, Ace Trucking, Al's Baby, Button Man* and *Mean Machine*. Outside of *2000 AD* his credits include *Star Wars, Lobo, The Punisher* and the critically acclaimed *A History of Violence*.

HENRY FLINT

Henry Flint, winner of the National Comics Awards for Best Comic Artist 2004, is one of the Galaxy's Greatest Comic's rising superstars. Co-creator of *Sancho Panzer*, Shakara, and the fan-favourite strip, *Zombo*, his incredibly versatile pencils have also graced *A.B.C. Warriors, Judge Dredd/Aliens, Deadlock, Judge Dredd, Rogue Trooper, Nemesis the Warlock, The V.C.'s* and *Venus Bluegenes*. He has even written a *Tharg's Alien Invasions strip*! He has also worked on several American comics, including *Omega Men, Haunted Tank* and *Fear Itself: Fearsome Four*. Away from the comics industry, Henry produced art of the cover of DJ Food's 2012 album, *The Search Engine*.

STAZ JOHNSON

Stewart "Staz" Johnson started his artistic career working on RPG magazines. From there he got work at Marvel UK where he worked on weekly comic book series such as *Transformers* and *Action Force*. Having worked on the majority of Marvel's A-list titles such as *Thor, The Avengers* & *Spider-Man*, he moved over to DC Comics, working on several *Batman* titles. His work for *2000 AD* includes *Judge Dredd, Future Shocks, Rogue Trooper* and the strip *Killer* which he co-created with Steve Moore.

COLIN MACNEIL

Since joining *2000 AD* in 1986 **Colin MacNeil** has worked on many strips, including *Chopper: Song of the Surfer* and the infamous death of Johnny Alpha in *Strontium Dog: The Final Solution*. He went on to collaborate with John Wagner on the award-winning *America* for the *Judge Dredd Megazine*. He has also worked on *Shimura, Maelstrom* and *Fiends of the Eastern Front: Stalingrad*, and, outside of the Galaxy's Greatest Comic, provided the atmospheric artwork on *Bloodquest* for Games Workshop. He also enjoys creating large abstract paintings. He says it's art therapy!

BEN WILLSHER

Ben Willsher got his break in comics in the ground-breaking *Deadline* magazine (home of *Tank Girl*), before being stolen by the world of computer games, where he has worked as an Art Director for many years. However, the lure of Comics was too strong and he came back to *2000 AD* and has drawn *Future Shocks, Pulp Sci-Fi, Tharg's Terror Tales, Sinister Dexter, Damnation Station*, but he is probably best known for his work on *Judge Dredd*. He most recently revived the uber cool grifter *Lenny Zero*, with original creator Andy Diggle.

Beyond his accomplishments in the world of comics he has also worked in film, television and the music industry, and is heavily involved in the World of *Doctor Who*, where he has illustrated work for the Time Lord luminaries such as Russell T Davies, Mark Gatiss, and comic giant Neil Gaiman.